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The Heir to Beecham Park

CHAPTER XXX.

"Margery, the sea is beautiful today. Come out, child; it will do you good."

Miss Lawson spoke in her old abrupt almost stern way; but she experienced deep, heartfelt pain as she looked at the slight form in its heavy mourning-robe, and at the girlish, beautiful face beneath the widow's cap.

Margery raised her eyes from her writing.

"I do not care for it, dear," she answered, gently; "and I must finish these letters for the post. Remember, Weymouth is not London; we do not go by steam down here."

"Your letters can wait," said Miss Lawson. "They are not of such consequence as your health."

"My tenants at Beecham do not say that," returned Lady Court, with a faint smile; "but, if you wish it very—"

"I do wish it very much; indeed, I am father dull, Margery."

The well-assumed plumpness of the elder woman's last words was most successful.

"Dull!" repeated Margery, putting down her pen at once. "Oh, forgive me! How selfish I am, dear friend!"

"There, don't waste time in self-reproach! Go and put on your hat—not your heavy bonnet. The fresh air will do you more good than sentimentalizing."

Miss Lawson brushed away a tear as the slender figure left the room. A year had gone—a sharp and trying spring, a summer of golden splendor, an autumn of cheerless misery, a winter of frost and chill, and spring was come again; and during all that time Margery had lived weighed down by a burden of anguish and sorrow. Miss Lawson had gone to her at the beginning of her grief, and discarding all other ties, had given herself up to her old pupil, who clung to her so despairingly; and it was the elder woman's one aim, to drive the gloom and despondency from the girlish brow, and bring joy and happiness back to the youthful heart.

She knew Margery's secret now. Stuart and she were leagued together, but all through the year, though she had tried again and again, she could not bring the lovers and cousins together. Margery shrunk from meeting Stuart—shrank with a heart full of remorse, pain and morbid gloom. Was it right that she should be glad to have happiness, when one who had loved her so truly and tenderly lay in the grave forgotten? Once, only once, had she spoken on this subject to Miss Lawson; and, like a wise woman, the governess said nothing, but decided to wait.

"It is but natural, after all, Margery's sensitive, generous spirit has

LORD MORDEN'S DAUGHTER

THE TRAGEDY OF THE CEDARS.

P.T.E.R. I.

"What a dolt I am!" exclaimed Edmund Locksley, suddenly starting up from the recumbent position he had been drowsily enjoying in the bottom of his boat.

There was a cold, pungent odor in his nostrils, for a dense, white mist had rolled landward, obscuring both sky and shore, and the sun was only a hazy, red ball, momentarily growing less and less.

Locksley tossed his half smoked cigar into the restless waters, and seized the oars. He began to row vigorously, but was soon warned of the futility of this by hearing the melancholy clang of a bell-buoy. It seemed to send a chill into his very soul.

"Why, I must have drifted several miles out to sea," he groaned in dismay. "An hour since there was not a cloud in the sky—not a ripple on the water. I have no idea which way the land lies, and it is just possible that I shall find myself on the Goodwins at the finish!"

He brushed the cold mists from his eyes, and tried to perceive the circling haze that moved, phantom-like, about him; then he began to row again, muttering gloomily and half-savagely:

"Well, here goes! I don't know that I am of much use in the world, either to myself or anybody else!"

The sun had quite disappeared, and now and again the trail boat was rocked by a huge swell, while afar off could be heard the boom-boom of angry breakers.

At length Locksley shipped his oars, and for an hour drifted at the mercy of wind and wave. He had almost given up hope, and grimly watched the white vapors roll onward, and thought, a little regretfully, of the father he had left in anger but a short week before.

"It isn't pleasant to die at any time," he said aloud, "but it makes it harder still when I think of my last bitter words to the only being on earth for whom I care one atom. By Heaven!" he added, with a sudden thrill of joy. "Hope at last! The fog is lifting!"

He was right; but the mists were being driven before a rising wind that lashed the ocean into ugly, black waves, crested with seething foam.

Anything was better than drifting to unknown perils, and at last he beheld the shore line, like a ridge of snow, under a black, lowering sky, some four or five miles distant.

Once again he seized the oars, and pulled like a man suddenly filled with frenzy. He was no longer indifferent to life, but made for land, with a prayer on his lips, the first he had uttered for long years.

The rain began to fall in torrents, and the wind blew a gale. It was one of those storms so common to the dwellers of the east coast of Britain, furious while they last, but usually of short duration; and after an hour's fierce battle for life Edmund Locksley crawled up the pebbly beach, thank-ing Heaven for his safe deliverance.

When beyond reach of the angry waves, he sat down to rest a while, and saw his boat had gone to pieces soon after striking the shore.

"But for his blistered hands and aching shoulders he was little the worse for the adventure, and began to wonder where he was, and if there

was any chance of some hospitable refuge from the storm.

With a last glance at the wreckage of his boat, he clambered to the top of the beach, and was surprised to see a weather-beaten old tar seated on the lee side of a fishing-smack, in such a position that he must have been a witness of Locksley's fight for life.

"You appear to be very comfortable," the young man remarked, sarcastically. He was shivering with cold now. "May I ask if you have been there long?"

"Since the storm began," replied the seaman, his eyes snapping angrily, "and I am sorry that your dead body is not in a fathom of water!"

He jumped to his feet, and turning his back on the astonished Locksley, walked rapidly away.

For a minute the young man was too bewildered to know what to do; but it was fast growing dark, and there was not a house or a light within sight anywhere. He was hatless, sore, and chilled to the bone.


Already was the figure of the seaman growing indistinct in the night, and Locksley started after him at a run.

"Hullo!" he cried. "You might tell me where I am, and if I can obtain a night's lodging. You won't leave a fellow-creature in this pickle, will you?"

(To be continued.)

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WORK A LITTLE.



It's well to play upon the links, and build up bone and brawn; but every day we human beings should work an hour or two. A good example we should set to growing boys and girls, and pause to shed some honest sweat amid our giddy whirls. "Why should we buckle down to work," the young ones may exclaim, "when older people play the shirk, and spring some giddy game?" The children see the world at play, at play by day and night, and they grow tired of making hay when fireworks are in sight. For hours good gasoline is burn along the concrete road, but bravely toll when I return to my dark green abode. I take my bargain counter lyre, beneath my greenwood tree, and punch till I break a wire, where all the town may see. And children, passing by the yard, look in and cry, "By Jones! It's wonderful how that fat hard exerts his toll-winner bones! He makes the idle strugglers bluish, the shirks seem tawdry bores; he preaches zeal, so let us rush to our appointed chores." Example is the shining light that leads the children's feet; not precepts high or maxims bright can with that light compete. The children see me at my harp, and cry, for getting frow, "Night comes apace, let us look sharp, and do what must be done!" But if they saw me shooting craps, or deep in idle play, they'd cry, "Let's look like other chaps—our elders show the way!"

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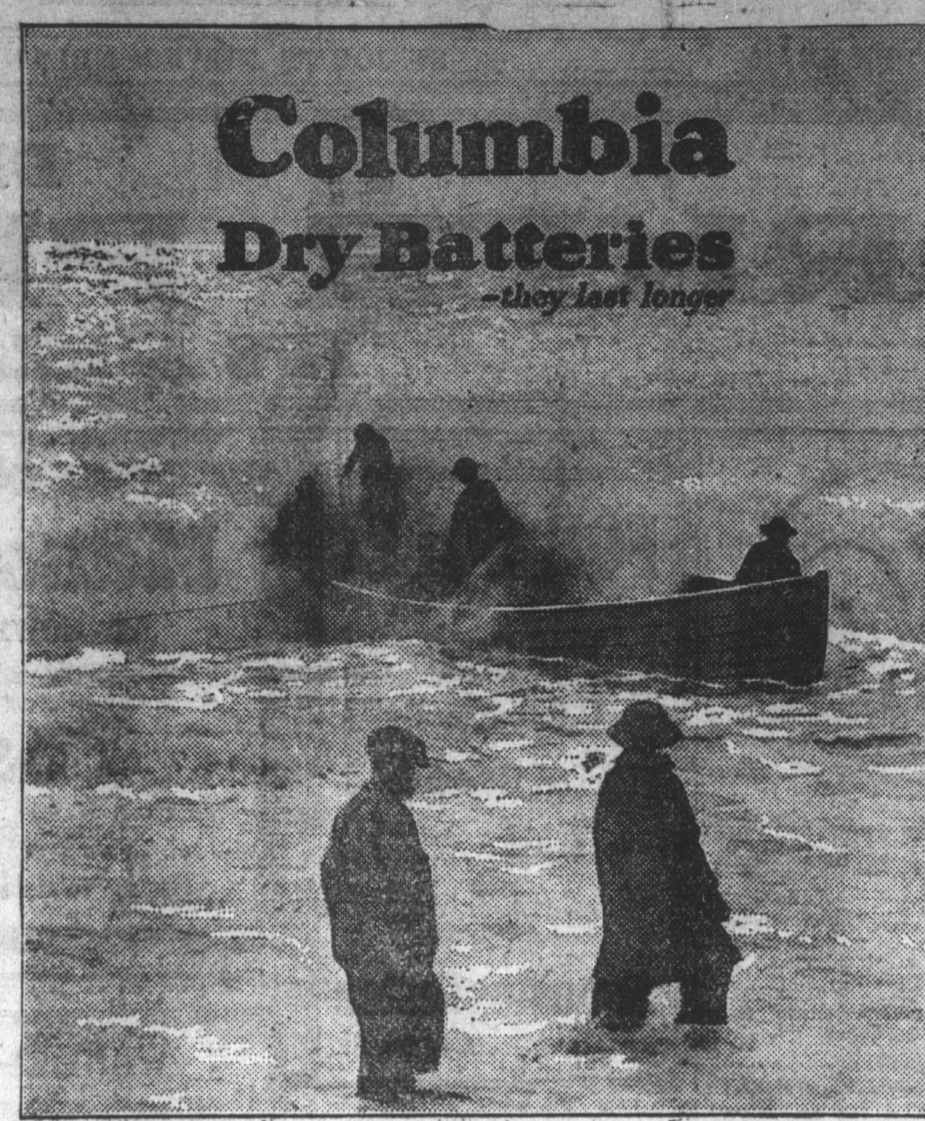
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Little Jack Rabbit
by David Cory

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He and Little Jack Rabbit had hopped close to a row of button-bushes growing along the shallow shore of the Old Duck Pond. The next minute more than a dozen black ducks began to quack with fright and, with a great splashing, rose into the air and sailed away. Yes, away they sailed, two by two, for they had already mated and would soon begin to raise a family.

"If we keep very quiet perhaps they'll come back," whispered Uncle Lucky, and sitting down under a mountain laurel, whose leaves furnished the only screen along the bank, the two little rabbits waited until by and by, after a while, there came a soft swish of sailing wings, and a pair of black ducks, dropped lightly into the water. There they sat on the quiet pond for some time, when they both swam over to the button-bushes to build a nest.

"We'll come back some day and look for the eggs," whispered the old gentleman rabbit, as he and his bunny nephew hopped away to find something new this early spring morning.

As they neared the Bubbling Brook they spied a small flock of Purple Finches in the bushes along the bank. These little birds, about the size of the English Sparrow, but somewhat slimmer, were hopping about in their grayish brown suits and forked tails.

"Hello," said dear Uncle Lucky. "Glad to see you back so early this spring."

"We're happy to be here again," said one little fellow, alighting on the brim of the dear old gentleman rabbit's wedding stovepipe hat. "I'm two years old. See these pretty straw-

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Proceedings at the Legislative Council

WEDNESDAY, March 18.
The Council met at 3.30 p.m. pursuant to adjournment.

The Bills entitled:—

- (1) An Act to Amend II George V., Cap. XIV., entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Women's Patriotic Trust Fund and for other Purposes";
- (2) "An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1922."

There read a third time and passed without amendment. It was ordered that a message to this effect be sent to the House of Assembly.

On motion of Hon. Dr. Robinson the House went into Committee on a Bill, entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 3 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Third Series) entitled "Of the Election of Members of the House of Assembly";"

HON. MR. MORINE explained that an amendment was necessary in Section 4, line 4. By the insertion of the word "next," which had been put in rather by inattention than on purpose, the original law had been altered. He moved that the word "next" be struck out and that in view of the Redistribution Act becoming law, that the words "division of a District" be also omitted. For under the new law there would be no such thing as a "division of a district." If the word "next" remained in the section referred to, it might be the means of disfranchising natives of the country who were non-resident at periods. For instance, John Stone, former M.P.A., for Trinity, who at the present time was in New York would have to reside again for two years in Newfoundland before he could have the right to vote. Sir Edgar Bowring was also cited as an example of a non-resident who would also be effected in this way. The words "division of a district" refer to old arrangements of the electoral districts. These would pass away when the new law came in force and the words mentioned would be unnecessary.

HON. PRESIDENT asked what would happen in the case of a bye-election, for the new law had not yet been passed. It was decided to allow the words "division of a district" to remain unchanged.

HON. MR. ANDERSON supported the first amendment suggested by the Hon. leader of the Government. He stated that it was of interest to him. His two sons, now living in America, unless the word "next" were struck out in the event of their returning to Newfoundland, would have to remain two years here before they could vote.

HON. DR. ROBINSON expressed his surprise that amendments should be introduced at this stage by the Leader for the Government in the Chamber, and the more so that the courtesy of previous intimation had not been vouchsafed. Two of the Hon. gentleman's proposals he had assented to withdraw. If the word mentioned be struck out it might, he feared, leave the door open to serious abuses.

HON. MR. MORINE thought that the Hon. gentleman had misunderstood him, for as the words were now, many Newfoundlanders would be disfranchised. Those who had gone to reside in Sydney or elsewhere could not vote in Newfoundland, should they return, until they had been back two years.

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years. He wished to avoid that sort of thing.

HON. MR. GIBBS agreed with the Hon. Leader of the House that the proposed Amendment was very necessary. The word referred to was not in the old Act, and was not needed by anyone not permanently domiciled abroad could come back here and vote. Under the proposed Act he can't. When a man returned to this country, even after having sworn allegiance to some other State, he was still qualified to serve as a juror, but would not as a voter under the Bill as it stood. The fact that one has sworn allegiance to another State does not mean that one ceases to be a British subject when he comes back to his own country.

HON. MR. MORINE agreed with Hon. Mr. Gibbs that one did not lose his rights as a British citizen, though he had forewarned allegiance, once he had returned to his own country.

HON. THE PRESIDENT, SIR P. T. McCREATH, believed that perfectly sound argument had been adduced why the amendment should not be made. If any fault or defect was found in the Bill it was not caused by the Council, and the best way out was to remove it. He could record a case where a man who had been absent in the States for a number of years had returned here and opened business in his native place which he carried on successfully. It would be wrong to deprive a man of this class from voting or becoming a candidate. The party he referred to had really offered as a candidate and it would be indeed wrong to deprive him. If the Amendment was put into effect it would work out in conformity with the qualification of voters and candidates. In England one day's residence in the District was sufficient qualification to offer as a Candidate. One only required to live in England 24 hours. He cited the case of Ignatius Lincoln who had been a German spy during the war and was a member of Parliament six months previously. He did not anticipate any flagrant abuses locally however.

HON. MR. TEMPLEMAN asked the introducer of the Bill why it was that at the age of the women voters was fixed at 25 years and the male voter at 21 years.

HON. DR. ROBINSON considered that the suggestion was aiming at the principle of the Bill, and was raising an important issue. The age limit had been fixed through agreement and it was hoped that in due course, this or any other defects in the Bill, if any would be remedied. It would only be a matter of time when the women would be admitted to the full franchise. He asked that such be not put in the form of an amendment as there were reasons that the Bill should go through with as little delay as possible.

HON. MR. MORINE supported the Hon. gentleman in charge of the Bill in that there should be no amendment introduced which would interfere with the principle of the Bill. The women in conference with the Prime Minister had agreed to the 25 year age limit, and there should be no attempt now to alter it. The amendment he had offered in no way interfered with the principle of the Bill. What was undervalued by the women and in the Lower House was that the women be given the vote and qualify for membership in the Legislature, and the Bill was framed on that basis. In all probability a new Bill to consolidate the Election Act would be brought down next session when opportunity would be had to consider this and kindred matters as they appeared.

HON. MR. ANDERSON said that 25 years was an excellent age to vote. At this age the women should be able to take a keen interest in public affairs.

HON. MR. TEMPLEMAN said he had no intention of offering an amendment in relation to this matter. He had merely asked for information as to the reason for not putting the women on the same footing as regards age as the men.

HON. MR. BISHOP said that notwithstanding the fact that the Leader of the Government was anxious that the Bill should go through practically without amendment, he felt that now was the time and the place to consider it. He did not have to repeat his position as regards Women Suffrage, he was already on record as being heartily in accord with it. In his opinion it was a serious mistake to enfranchise women of 25 years of age, who had to classify as illiterate voters. The same applied to the man of 21 years. In his opinion women of 25 years should qualify under literacy test before being allowed to vote. He thought it well worth the consideration of the House as to whether an amendment should even now be sent to the Lower House asking concurrence in an educational standard that every woman voter be able to mark her own ballot. If at the next session it was the intention to consolidate the Election Act, we should pass an Amendment that every male voter should pass the literacy test. Such an Amendment, in his opinion, would be an incentive to those growing up, who would at least qualify themselves as to how to mark their ballot and read and write, otherwise they should be debarrd from voting.

HON. MR. GIBBS—When the Women's Suffrage Bill was being discussed here on Tuesday repeated references were made to the impro-

priety of permitting the illiterate to vote. Subsequent reflection has brought me to the conclusion that such opinions should not go without comment. Different speakers sought to impress that the mere qualification of reading and writing was sufficient to mark a line of demarcation between those who should and those who should not vote. To-day, illiteracy is synonymous with ignorance, but, on inquiry, how unfounded is that false popular opinion. Reading, at its best, is but a means by which we derive certain facts and information which should be digested, made our own, weighed by judgments and these found to be true or false. Thus it is clearly to be seen that it is in the development of the reasoning powers that a person not being able to read or write may be much more accurate in his conclusions and much more consummate in his knowledge than that person who has those advantages but does not use them. All the more probable, in such an occurrence in a country like ours where the occupations of our people call for frequent employment of their reasoning faculties. How often is learning misapplied as wisdom; to be lettered may constitute learning but it does not necessarily include wisdom. This is all the more true, when we are considering persons who are barely within the class of the literate. In such an instance, man's activity, his daily life is a better criterion of his fitness to vote. We underestimate the value of the unaided natural powers, we are inclined to believe that man's acquired wisdom "deepens the stupidity of his neighbours." Illiteracy may not be evidence of a low standard of "ability to think and think both logically and wisely." Illiteracy is more prevalent in the outports but they have a means of education, of developments perhaps more effective than the acquisition of the knowledge of being barely able to read and write. Consider the training they derive; the employment of brain and judgment displayed in forecasting the weather, building their homes, in planning and building their boats or schooners, and in navigating these schooners. The outport fisherman is continually called upon to supply his own needs and often to face danger to secure them. He is continually called upon to use his own judgment and meet the occasion. This is the essence of education. This is the wisdom that fits him to form a correct political opinion when the utilised powers of reading and writing would not. It is the application of knowledge that counts. Would you deprive a person capable of building a two hundred ton boat the right to vote? And they are such. Would you deny the right to vote to men who can erect their own homes? Whose industry can fashion from the forest a homestead? And there are many. Would you deny it to the men who repeatedly rear their families, send out into the world men and women who are an asset to the country? Would you stigmatise men of this type as unfit for a vote, though they may be illiterate so far as book knowledge is concerned, but who possess the wonder power of wisdom in a manner which should shame many who can read and write. They are producers. Those who have experience in active political life in this country know that there is not a more critical audience than the outport electorate. Politics and political activities form a large part of their lives. With some it is their business, but with all it is their means of passing leisure moments. There is more political discussion carried on in our outports among the rank and file than there is in the city. This mode of forming their views, namely, by discussion, has made them more resourceful and often more accurate in their political knowledge than the better educated city man who perhaps gives politics but a random thought in four years, whose interest is only aroused by the sensational. It is this continual active interest which befits the illiterate to vote, and makes his verdict perhaps more accurate than others better informed. We underestimate natural endowments.

It is a moot point, sir, as to whether the advent of the newspaper in Newfoundland politics has been for weal or woe. Formerly, people flocked to the meetings of both parties and formed their views. They heard both sides and contrasted both platforms. The party newspaper now forms and fashions for many. They hear and understand but one side of the question.

The House of Assembly "should be a mirror of the national mind." We should not attempt to deny those who are bound by its obligations the privilege of its rights without the gravest reasons.

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That would be contradictory to the Bill which has received the sanction of this House. The Honor-able member reports, are just as well able to form an opinion respecting a vote, as the person who is barely able to read and write. That qualification is a fair one.

may cite in conclusion the words of the celebrated Andrew Laidlaw: "We drill boys into reading and writing machines, but this is not education. The almost mechanical operation of reading, reading and reckoning unquestionably most valuable elements—who can deny or doubt that they are not education; they are means only, not the end—the end is not the work, it is the education. We are too ready in Britain to regard them as tools which will do it themselves."

HON. MR. MORINE—Next year if Government brings in a new Bill regarding the consolidation of the Electoral Act, this question can be dealt with. To bring it up now would not be fair to the women. If the suggestion of Hon. Mr. Bishop were applied to them, a lot of machinery would have to be put into force. To make tests to show whether they could read or write would not be a fair proposition but would mean trouble. This could come up as early as next year when all necessary amendments could be discussed.

It is thought that the Bill should be brought at the present time, without amendment than that suggested by him.

HON. MR. BISHOP was sorry he regarded as an obstructionist. He had in his mind whatever of opposition was in his mind, but thought

it proper to press those sentiments. He did not propose moving any amendments, but felt the time spent in this discussion had not been wasted.

HON. MR. TEMPLEMAN thought it very wise to discuss these matters so that members might learn all they could. To ask a question did not mean one was opposing the Bill. He was merely seeking information. He still thought it unfair that the age qualification for women should be at 25 years, whereas that for men was 21 years.

HON. MR. MORINE thought that this was another case of half a loaf being better than no bread. Formerly they could not vote unless they were householders. Later the vote was given to those of 25 years and finally to 21 years. Now women are asking for the vote at twenty-five. In England women have no vote under 30 and a movement's underway to reduce this to 25. The suggestions about literacy put forth by the various members were, in his opinion, wrong views. Our attitude should not be one of criticism, but of respect. It does not lie with us to take that stand until compulsory education is provided. The next question is what is education? How many people in this House or the Lower House can prove the test put to Lord Rathmore by one of the Labor candidates in the British House of Commons not long ago. This test is one that would be put to any boy in an English public school. On the other hand this House is composed of self-made men. Men who have risen superior to great difficulties that were in their path to success. Few assembly halls contain the same number of self-made men as does this one. For this reason he thought that little should be said about illiteracy and seeking for tests. He said he knew successful sealing masters who could not read or write and successful cod-

fishers who were in the same position, but did not subscribe to the doctrine that such men should not vote because they were unable to read and write.
HON. DR. CAMPBELL said he would like to say a few words. In Section 3 of this Act, a woman, to be a candidate must possess property valued at \$2,400. Why this should be he could not understand as it would exclude some of the brightest and cleverest women in the island.
HON. MR. MORINE fully agreed with Hon. Dr. Campbell. There should be no qualification for men or women to be candidates. If the people were desirous of having them as candidates. The nomination fee put up was a guarantee of their bona fides and should be sufficient requirement. At any rate this would also be considered next year when the new Bill came in and no such petty qualification allowed in. But we ought not to attempt to alter it now.
HON. DR. CAMPBELL said that he had no desire to press his point, but he thought that the bill was only half cooked. As it was it implied inferiority in the women. He agreed with Hon. Mr. Templeman that the women should have the vote at 21 as well as men. As for the requirement of property this disqualified some of our best women from being candidates, and on the whole was most undesirable. Miss Agnes MacPhail, a candidate in the Province of Ontario, a very clever woman, is a farmer's daughter. We might have the idea of rich standing for candidates because they have money, but the brainy poor would have no opportunity of so doing.
HON. MR. TEMPLEMAN said he intended to speak on the same matter, and entirely supported all Hon. Dr. Campbell had said.
 The Committee rose and reported having passed the bill with some amendments. On motion of Hon. Dr. Robinson it was ordered the Bill be read a third time on to-morrow.

HIGHWAYS COMMISSION BILL
Second reading of Highroads Commission Bill.
HON. DR. MOSEDELL—Mr. President—Even at the risk of being reprimanded by the Honorable the Leader of the Government in this Chamber, I have ventured to make and to now use full notes of some of my objections to the measure now before us. Strictly speaking, I suppose, such a proceeding is not absolutely parliamentary. It is usual to demand that honorable members should abstain from matters of public business in some degree before them. Perhaps, under certain circumstances, such a rule is a necessary and a beneficial one. It is not insisted on by the Regulations of this Chamber. That, of course, is why the Honorable the Leader of the Government himself has so frequently resorted to this method during the present session. To the adoption of this procedure are due the many really excellent speeches

that marked the debate on the Woman's Suffrage Bill on yesterday, and, in passing, I desire to pay a personal tribute to the magnificent effort with which an honorable member of this Chamber moved the second reading of that measure. That speech combined outstanding eloquence, masterly comprehension, numerous flowers of English pure and undented and outstanding evidence of the most careful and painstaking preparation. It is a matter for great congratulation that this House includes an honorable gentleman of such ability and erudition in its membership. In actual practice, I regard this procedure as a most beneficial one. Honorable members who take care to commit their ideas to writing, to reconsider the written word calmly and dispassionately, are then in position to deliver hers in sane, calm and deliberate fashion, the comments which they have prepared with such care and forethought. I sincerely trust that my effort will be found to abound with the same reason, the same logic and the same practical and unbiassed criticisms as have marked the speeches of other honorable gentlemen in connection with public affairs of moment.
 Perhaps you will permit me, Mr. President, to add my congratulations to those of other members on your re-appointment as President of this Chamber. I had not the privilege of sitting here when you last held office, but if your previous tenure was marked throughout by the same characteristics as those of the opening weeks of your renewed tenure, I am surprised that the insistent and unanimous objections of the members did not cause you to abandon your determination to resign the presidency. It is true that your re-appointment to your high office removes a strong debating factor from the floor, but it puts in charge of the discussions of this House a member who has given the lead in full and careful ventilation of public matters, one who has wide knowledge and ripe experience of our affairs and one who, having hitherto set the example of eloquent and fearless pronouncement on vital topics of the day, is now in a position to encourage others to follow his beneficial lead. That example and that encouragement have already begun to bear goodly fruit. The attendance at this session of the Legislative Council is better than for many years past. In some considerable measure that is due to the conduct and the exhortations of the Honorable the Leader of the Government. He has insisted on full debate of such measures as he has introduced here as spokesman for his party. So far from discouraging criticism, he has sedulously courted them. It is true that the policy is of profit to himself and his colleagues; it is also exceedingly profitable to members of this Chamber.
 But, without attempting to flatter Mr. President, I must assert that the greatest encouragement afforded general and thoughtful debate on the floors of this House is the manner in which proceedings are conducted by our presiding officer. Such a presiding officer can adopt one of two policies. He can either keep sedulously to the rules and regulations of this House, pinning down members to an unvarying observance thereof; or he can make it his care to induce frank and full and general debate on the part of honorable members, concerning himself only with the direction of such debates along the lines of decorum and effect. The latter evidently been the president's policy during the present session and, I think every honorable gentleman here present will agree, it has been the better way. I venture to predict, Mr. President, that with the continuance of such a policy of encouragement of debate, it will presently be necessary to enforce some of the Rules in drastic and in unvarying fashion. In order to afford opportunity for speech on the part of all honorable members, from the oldest Councillor to the most recent appointee. Nobody is anxious for wordy speeches in any Chamber of the Legislature, but everybody is desirous of hearing important public matters fully and efficiently debated, especially in a Chamber such as this, where partisanship is conspicuous by its almost complete absence and where honorable members are far more concerned about the practical features of legislation than about their possible political effects. It is in this spirit that I am venturing to address this Chamber in respect to the most important measure now before us for consideration and action.
 At yesterday's session of this House, the Honorable the Leader of the Government, gave us a masterly presentation of his party's general policy under the provisions of the Highroads Commission Act. It is with a great deal of pleasure that I congratulate the honorable member on that brilliant effort and compliment him on the fact that, after all of his years of strenuous public activities, his tongue has lost none of its wondrous powers of eloquent persuasion; his hand has lost none of its cunning, and his natural debating powers have in no way abated. The scheme outlined by the honorable gentleman is one of the most comprehensive and ambitious ever presented to either House of the Legislature in this country. It is far-reaching in its scope and in its effects. Both directly and indirectly, it concerns every man,

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Nobody, of course, objects to a capital expenditure, made wisely and economically and on some undertaking that promises satisfactory returns for the money invested. Personally, I am not one of those who object to such an expenditure. But I object to an expenditure of such magnitude as that which is proposed here, unless it is based on a sound and practical basis. I object to an expenditure of such magnitude unless it is based on a sound and practical basis. I object to an expenditure of such magnitude unless it is based on a sound and practical basis.

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Seemed to me the vice of death.

Black and barren was the spot
Where the meek forget-me-not
Bloomed in summer, and the trees
Creaked with every passing breeze.
Not like living things, but more
Like harsh chains upon the floor,
And their branches seemed to swing
Like great keys upon a ring.

All that had belonged to me
Lost forever seemed to be,
Empty with the house where
Wrens had made their morning din,
And where roses once had grown
Long I lingered all alone;
Deep beneath the ice and snow
Slept the things I'd treasured so.

Winter stabbed me with its pain,
Mocked my faith and called it vain;
Sneered as envy sometimes sneers,
Draped my trees with frozen tears,
But to-day the pain has passed!
Life grows beautiful at last!
Leaf and blossom now I see
Where I fancied death to be.

Commodity Prices

A downward tendency continues to feature prices in the wholesale markets, 44 of the 75 changes that appear this week in the list of quotations received by Dun's Review being declines, against 31 advances. In last week's compilation, there were 44 reductions and 28 increases; in a similar comparison for the corresponding week of last year, 39 declines contrasted with 34 advances.

Considerable irregularity prevailed in the grain markets this week, bullish news from abroad failing to offset a lighter consumptive demand, and sharp declines occurred in wheat, corn, oats and rye. In live meats, beef and sheep were firmly held, while hogs rose sharply and provisions advanced in response to the strength of the raw material. Demand for choice butter was somewhat in excess of supplies, and a good gain was established on practically all grades. Cheese was in somewhat better demand and was very firm. Heavy receipts resulted in a further decline in eggs.

Somewhat more conservatism in the placing of new business has not materially affected the markets for steel, as most producers are well provided with orders, but a generally reactionary feeling features the miscellaneous metals. Quotations of cotton goods have been strengthened by conditions in the raw material market. Hides show further weakness.

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Miss Chisholm received many beautiful gifts of all descriptions. Games were played and a collation was served by the hostess, Mrs. Foote. Miss Newman, formerly of Foxe, Newfoundland, and for the past few years resident in Toronto, Ont., and latter on in Boston, is the lucky man in the case, his engagement to Miss Chisholm having been recently announced. It is rumoured that the wedding bells will ring out in June, and the "Weekly" extends congratulations to the young couple.—Wed. Weekly.

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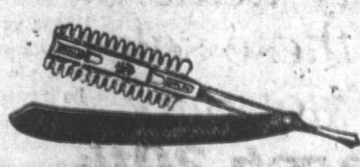
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personally regard road investments as good. But a great deal of future justification of such investments depends on how such roads are built; how they are routed and how they are maintained and operated. No country can hope to make steadily satisfactory progress unless and until it is provided not only with adequate means of communication with other countries but with the best facilities for intercommunication within its own borders. Isolation of the component settlements of a country from each other is almost as ruinous as isolation of the country itself from the world at large. It is essential that folk of settlements within the country be enabled to get into constant close touch and community of interest with fellow-Newfoundlanders as it is for Newfoundland itself to maintain prompt, efficient and constant relations with the great family of nations and the world beyond her borders.

The intercommunities between one Newfoundland settlement and another are maintained by land and by sea. The latter constitutes our national highway and is generally and fairly satisfactorily used whenever and wherever practicable. But land communications are also indispensable to the well being and to the progress of our people. Our system of railroads takes care of this need to a great extent. But railroad construction and operation represent huge outlays of money and call for the certainty of heavy and lucrative traffic before they can safely be embarked on. It is questionable if Newfoundland has not already exceeded her means and her prospects in this connection. Certainly, it will be very many years before any government will be justified in adding materially to the heavy financial burdens already imposed upon us by reason of our ventures in this field. There remains, then, the consideration of highways, how they should be built and the extent to which we can afford to invest in these public undertakings.

I have no patience with the plea of hard times and impoverished conditions, so frequently used as stumbling-blocks in the path of public progress. Very often, a little foresight and initiative will save an impoverished business, where unbridled conservatism would have accomplished its utter destruction. In examining the question of the immediate and ultimate costs of this highroads scheme, therefore, I am so much concerned with ways and means of raising the necessary money, or with the bearing of our present financial position on the proposed expenditure of two million dollars on highroads, as with the prospects of obtaining such returns from this expenditure as will not only meet all interest, operation and maintenance charges, but will eventually provide a sinking fund that will wipe out the capital outlay itself.

What are the prospects for such amply satisfactory returns on the expenditure of two million dollars proposed by the administration for which Hon. A. B. Morine is spokesman in this Chamber? Let us first examine the speech of the Honorable, the Leader of the Government, for an indication of such prospects. We must expect to see them set out therein in the greatest detail, because after all, it is on the strength or weakness of such a showing that the Government must, especially in this

Chamber, expect its highroads policy to stand or to fall. I am fully confident that honorable members here present will promptly and unhesitatingly refuse to countenance such a policy of heavy expenditure unless its spokesmen amply justify it. And I am further satisfied that every such member will apply to the proposal the same tests of common sense and experience that he would use in connection with the amplification of his own business, or with the initiation or financing of new branches thereof. Can such a scheme be made to earn enough to carry itself and eventually to wipe out the indebtedness due to its own initiation? Let us note any observations of the Honorable, the Leader of the Government, on this vital phase of the subject.

Strangely enough, when speaking in this House on yesterday, the honorable gentleman made but passing reference to what is, after all, the business aspect—the vital aspect—of the Highroads Commission undertaking. If my memory serve me properly, the Honorable, the Leader of the Government, urged this House to consider the flip that this system of roads would give to settlement undertakings in various parts of the country and how it would enable the sons of present day fishermen to engage in farming occupations. I am not endeavoring to belabor this point, and I am glad that the Honorable, the Leader of the Government, made no such attempt. As a matter of fact, such an argument in favor of highroads building to-day would no more induce favorable consideration of the project than would similar proposals incline the people of this country to endorse a policy of further extension of our railroad system. Thirty years ago, and on various occasions after 1893, Newfoundlanders heard a great deal about the wonderful developmental consequences that were to result from construction of trunk lines and branch lines of railroad. The predictions were that, under the stimulus of adequate railroad communication, the interior of this country would become the location of numerous thriving agricultural and industrial communities; that our mineral areas would produce wealth untold, to the great general benefit of country and people; that our unrivalled waterpowers would be utilized to turn the wheels of many a

mammoth industrial plant; that local farm produce would take the place, in the local market, of the millions of dollars' worth imported from abroad and that coal of local product would enable us to keep in the country the huge sums of money annually spent on the Nova Scotian article. These were some of the predictions made by the contractor of the railroad building on the economic life of Newfoundlanders.

What has been our actual experience? We still import most of our produce from Canada. Successive governments have done their utmost to encourage agricultural pursuits in Newfoundland, but despite these efforts and despite the proximity and the facilities of our railroad system, the interior of Newfoundland is as much of an agricultural desert to-day as it was a quarter of a century ago. There would be as much farming done in this country to-day were we destitute of railroad facilities as there is now when we have hundreds of miles of the iron way at the disposal of our local farmers. Freight steamers still continue to bring large cargoes of coal to Newfoundland from Sydney and the Nova Scotians continue to get the hundreds of thousands of dollars necessary for the payment of our annual coal bill. Industrially, it cannot be shown that apart from its own subsidiary undertakings, the railroad has induced the expenditure of any considerable amount of money in this country. The Grand Falls proposition did not depend on the construction of a local trunk railroad and the Humber enterprise could be initiated and operated were there no cross-country railway system in existence. I am not arguing that the building of the railroad was a mistake; far from it. That public enterprise has proven its worth to all classes of Newfoundlanders far too emphatically for me to dare proclaim any such economic heresy. I am trying to show that in some outstanding respects the railroad has failed to realize the expectations of its projectors. They were honest men and far-sighted statesmen. They did not foresee the disappointment that that undertaking would be from a developmental and a financial standpoint.

So, in considering any object that involves railroad or highroad construction or expansion, we have to take into due account the fact that we need not expect any such undertaking to create for itself sufficient profitable business within the country. Our railroad system has now been operated for over a quarter of a century, and always as a losing proposition. Between traffic from outside the country and traffic of local origin, both passenger and freight, it has been kept very busy. Yet, the balance for any one of the many years of its monopolization of our cross-country transportation business has never appeared on the right side of the ledger. The usual thing has been annual losses running into the hundreds of thousands and, some years, into the millions of dollars. Yet, during the latter years of its incorporation management, the railway was operated under terms that would never have been considered had the contractor realized to what he was pledging himself at the beginning of his term. Surely, the lesson to us all is that no land system of transportation, steam, electric, or highroad, can hope to secure or to create for itself within Newfoundland traffic sufficiently great or sufficiently profitable to justify its treatment as an investment calculated to afford satisfactory financial returns on any considerable capital outlay. And steam and electric roads have the advantage over highroads that they need not transport a single passenger or a single package of freight a single mile without securing payment therefor. Your highroad must be free. Only a small proportion of the vehicular traffic operating thereover can be directly assessed for the use of such a public convenience. The day of toll-roads is long past—so pedestrians must be allowed free use of these highways. Within the country itself, then, there is nothing that, either reason, expectation or experience can present to us as a sure of probable, even to make the two million dollar investment now proposed by the government either an earner of dividends or productive even to the extent of interest charges or maintenance costs.

Highroads construction is desirable, eminently so, and on a good many counts. But it is sometimes impracticable to indulge sentiment for non-productive undertakings, speaking from a financial standpoint. Apart from its sentimental advantages, the policy embodied in this proposition of the government must be considered

der review. It spoke of routes and of costs. It embodied not a single word to inform us that the highroads undertaking fitted in with any broad general scheme adopted by the Government to bring tourist traffic here to enjoy our facilities and attractions.

If the government be destitute of such a scheme, then it is making a false start. The building of highroads is but a means to an end—not the end itself. I sincerely trust that the Government is not "putting the cart before the horse."

A comprehensive and effective tourist traffic policy can be framed only after careful investigation, conducted with the aid of experts. I have no doubt whatever about the ability of the Honorable, the Leader of the Government, and his colleagues generally, to conduct the ordinary business of the country efficiently and beneficially, but I do contend that it is as unreasonable for them to profess to be tourist traffic experts as it is for us to expect of them expert initiation and management of such a policy. Elsewhere, the development and the management of tourist traffic are left in the hands of men who are recognized masters of the art of soliciting, securing and satisfying the patronage of holiday visitors. We need the services of a corps of such men. The Honorable, the Leader of the Government, states that a few may be imported as experts in road building. That is good enough, as far as it goes. But the place of such a staff is not a subsidiary one. The true and effective control of men of this class is complete control of the undertaking and all its ramifications. Possessed of such services we can avoid the many pitfalls and snarls that encompass the feet of the ignorant and the unexperienced. The undertaking to spend two million dollars on one phase only of tourist traffic development is one that should be surrounded with every available safeguard, in order to ensure the expenditure of every possible cent to the greatest possible effect. Capable management and economical expenditure of the funds set aside for such a purpose is the only effective manner of ensuring the application of all such moneys to their destined purpose, in a proper and profitable manner. It is even better insurance against defalcations and against wastefulness than the penal clause that occurs towards the end of the Bill as supplied to Honorable Mem-

bers of this House.

My contention, then, is that a first essential in connection with the broad undertaking to which this Bill relates is the formulation of a general tourist policy, a policy framed by the Government, and with the advice of experts in this field and committed to such experts for institution and management. The business of such experts will be to create such outside tourist traffic as will ensure the profitable operation of the highroads provided for in this measure. The further business of these experts will be to make such provision for the accommodation and treatment of these visitors while they sojourn in Newfoundland that this profitable traffic will not only be directed towards Newfoundland, but be maintained in a steady stream during future holiday seasons.

At present the tourist policy of Newfoundland appears to consist of but three isolated efforts at the accomplishment of something in three separate spheres. The measure before us represents one of these efforts. It is really part and parcel of a general tourist policy, but a policy which has neither been outlined nor described. Another such effort, still in its infancy, is that of certain business men to ensure the erection and operation of a modern headquarters hotel in St. John's. This, too, is separate and distinct from undertakings in the same field. I hear, furthermore, that a company is being incorporated to institute railroad inns and sporting camps in various parts of the country, also with an eye to the exploitation of the travelling public. Gathered together in one, these various and varied undertakings would represent the chief essentials—though by no means all of them—of a great, general tourist traffic exploitation policy. Failure to co-ordinate these undertakings and to place them in charge of masters of the business is an almost fatal mistake on the part of the government and makes the whole undertaking a great deal more speculative than it need be.

Headquarters hotel, sporting resorts and connecting highroads are, obviously, part and parcel of one great tourist policy. They represent the complete structure of the undertaking. Failure of one or two of these essential parts involves the whole in ruin. It is useless to gamble for success.

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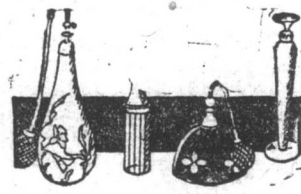
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cess on the initiation for completion of any one part of the scheme and then expect the whole to succeed. Only a well-rounded, carefully-planned and capably-managed scheme has any chance of success.

Perhaps the Honourable, the Leader of the Government, has such a plan now up his sleeve. I trust so and I suggest that, presently, he will reveal it to this House. After all, this measure has to be treated on its merits. It is meritorious only if it ensures the provisions of profitable traffic for highroads that are to cost us two million dollars as a start. If the Honourable gentleman can show us how and when this traffic can be secured and directed over these highroads, then one of the most serious criticisms of this measure must automatically disappear. The fact that the Leader of the Government has not played such a trump card in titillating a debate which is concerned with the principle of the whole measure, induces me to conclude that no such plan has yet been formulated, by his party.

The extent to which plans have been formulated by the Government was indicated by the Honourable gentleman in his speech on yesterday. In the course of that eloquent effort he told us something of the programme of road construction and road routing which the government propose to carry out during the next two years. I admire the bold and ambitious manner in which he sketched out these plans. The Honourable gentleman possesses the happy knack of presenting to his listeners in the most attractive colors any programme in which he is keenly interested. Harkening to his artistic portrayal of the beauties of nature all over the country—the wondrous Humber River; the coastline of the Southern Shore; the magnificent harbor of Trinity; the Random Sounds; the Island Tickle of Notre Dame Bay; the flocks of Fortune Bay and of Hermitage Bay—one is apt to forget that many millions of filthy dollars will be required to link up these spots of super-scenic beauty and to overlook the very essential, if more prosaic matter of ways and means. Even the annual maintenance charges in respect to the present proposed expenditure of two million dollars will total over three hundred thousand dollars. The Honourable, the Leader of the Government has not yet told us how it is proposed to liquidate these charges, year by year.

I have already referred to what I regard as one serious weakness of this scheme—absolute failure to show us whence is coming the business that alone can make the investment profitable one and what steps, if any, the government have taken to ensure that business when we are ready to handle it. I now call attention to what strikes me as a serious mistake—the plan to rush ahead with highroad construction in several separate and distinct parts of the country at one and the same time, as well as the displayed tendency to treat the scheme as even more one of local improvement than an avenue for securing to this country big and profitable business. My contention is that in initiating this scheme much more caution and concentration should be displayed. We know that Canada reaps a financial harvest of hundreds of millions of dollars from tourist traffic annually. This country possesses natural attractions and advantages even superior to Canada's best. And we are all confident that we can divert, better and maintain permanent hold on material proportion of that profitable tourist traffic. But can we? Surely, the mistake of over-confidence in his connection would be as grave as the offence of pessimism. Obviously, the whole affair contains many speculative elements. It is well, therefore, for us to advance in this matter step by step, and avoid what may be a fatal error of attempting to cover all the ground at one time and with a single huge stride. If the government have in mind the provision of hundreds of miles of new and reconstructed highroads, at a cost of two million dollars, to be started primarily as a local improvement programme and regardless of tourist or other outside traffic, which alone can add the element of profitable returns to such an ambitious and extensive scheme, then this portion of my argument falls to the ground. In its place must be substituted the declaration of the Honourable, the Leader of the Government, to the effect that this scheme affords an outstanding means of benefiting the fishermen of Newfoundland. "How," he asked, "shall we help them so directly and well as by opening up the country for the development of its labor-giving resources? We shall employ him making roads, we shall settle his sons upon the lands made accessible, and employ him and them upon the industries these roads will make possible."

But, I refuse to interpret that pronouncement of the Honourable, the Leader of the Government, as embodying the whole principle or even the chief part of the principle that underlies this highroad scheme. Such a policy would savor far too much of a thinly-guised and very expensive

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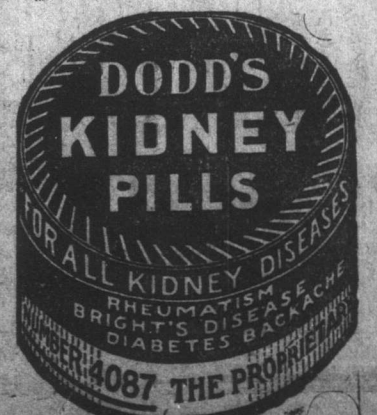
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system of relief—work for the unemployed, work for those who are tired of the fisheries and work for those who would go fishing but are denied the opportunity. Moreover, our experience in connection with the railroad has taught us to be exceedingly slow to accept at face value and as true to fact these glowing paintings of multitudinous and profitable local benefits to be ensured through the provision of extensive and expensive transportation facilities. Let us then forget this appeal to sentiment pure and simple, and face the cold, hard facts of the situation as they relate to this highroads scheme.

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No man who calls forth a tribute like that from the one who knows him best can be called a failure. And if there is one thing more than another that keeps Esther's love alive and warm, I think it is just John's kindness. Women love kindness in a man. They will forgive him much that is hard to overlook if only he is kind to them.

He Understands.
John is very understanding. When dinner is late, or there's not a pair of

socks the right color available, or the laundry isn't sent on time, or when Esther is cross, or on any of the occasions when other men grow impatient and irritable, John is always so kind. "Don't worry about that, dear," he says. "With all you have to do the wonder to me is that things run so smoothly most of the time. You do an awful lot of work around this house."

Other times it's little luxuries and surprises that are prompted by the kindness of his heart. The telephone rings in the middle of a busy afternoon and it's John. "Leave something for the children and come down town tomorrow and I think you are about due for a little change of some kind. We'll take in a movie afterward." Or perhaps he comes in a bit late for supper some night with a parcel wrapped in green waxed paper. "I saw these daffodils in the florist's as I came along so I stopped off to get you a few," he says. "I remember how you always love the first daffodils in springtime."

A Really Good Sport.

A woman friend once told me of the incident above all others for which she will always be eternally grateful to her husband. "I lost my pocket-book with \$20 in it after he had warned me against carrying it loosely in the shopping bag on my arm with so many pickpockets about. And in the jam of a Christmas shopping crowd it just disappeared out of my bag and I was paralyzed with remorse and the dread of telling him. But he was so kind. Instead of all the sarcastic I-told-you-so's that the occasion naturally invited he just said that the loss of the money had made me feel bad enough without his making matters worse with reproaches."

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Municipal Council WEEKLY MEETING.

The weekly meeting of the Municipal Council was held yesterday afternoon. Mayor Cook presiding. Councillors Martin, O'Connell, Ryan and Dowden were present. After confirmation of minutes the last meeting the following matters were considered:

As a result of the claim against the Government some time ago for compensation for fence around Parade Ground property, the Colonial Secretary Informal Council this matter had been referred to the Government Engineer, advised payment for the fence, plus interest on the amount due, and less an amount for depreciation.

Mr. William Coughlan, Bell Street, asked if the Council was replacing the fence at residence which was damaged by the roof of the Cart Shed at the Stables was blown off by heavy gale last November. The matter was referred to the Sanitary Engineer for enquiry and report.

Mr. Stanley White applied for the position of Appraiser. His application was ordered placed on file. C. J. Ellis, Hon. Secretary of Regatta Committee, asked permission to proceed with the preparatory work of improving the lakeside. The Committee being responsible for the financing of the said work. This was agreed to.

The tender of C. F. Lester for the purchase of the Rock Crusher and was accepted.

PLANS.
The following plans were submitted to the approval of the Engineer at whose office permits may be obtained:
W. R. Clouston, dwelling, Rock Road; Geo. Neal, Ltd., erection of garage, Military Road.

It was ordered that a cheque for half year's interest on City bonds amounting to \$42,271.73 and for year's contribution towards cost of the Fire Department amounting to \$7,000.00, to December 31st, 1924, forwarded to the Finance Department.

The City Engineer stated that he would now be in order to have the gullies in the city given attention and ordered accordingly.

The Medical Officer of Health reported five new cases of Scarlatina in the city during the past week. The Sanitary Supervisor reported that the usual routine work of the department had been attended during the week.

After the passing of accounts disposal of other routine business meeting adjourned.

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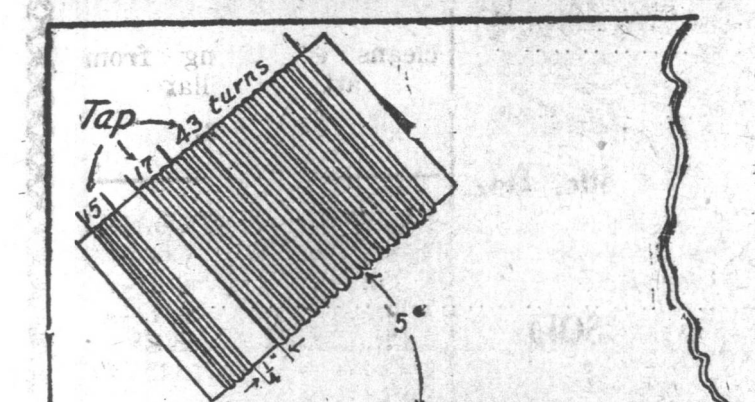
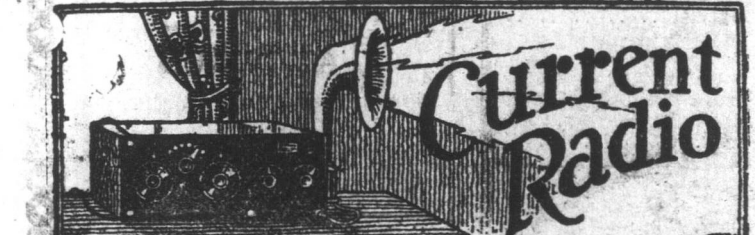
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In wiring up the set it is preferable to follow some systematic method so that none of the wires will be left out. We would suggest first running the filament circuit wires, then the grid and plate leads from the tube sockets to their respective terminals. Next the other terminal of all coils should be connected, the condensers (variable) connected across the coils, the resistances (50,000 and 500,000 ohm) wired in and the B battery circuits. In case any of the wires run close together the wires should be covered with spaghetti tubing over that portion of their length where they are likely to become shorted.

In order to test the B battery circuit and be sure there is no danger of a shorted wire which would burn out the tubes, it would be a good idea to insert all the tubes in the sockets and connect the 6-volt A battery to the terminals of the B battery marked minus B and plus 120 and

also minus B and plus 90. If the tubes light up or if there is a heavy spark when the wires are touched to the posts all the wiring should be carefully examined and the shorted wires straightened out. Next the filament circuit should be tested by seeing that the tubes light up when the 6 volts is connected to the plus and minus A battery posts.

In soldering the connections (and they ALL should be soldered) be sure and use only resin core solder or flux with a resin base. Also after the wiring job has been completed all excess resin flux should be wiped away from the connections and joints. Care should be particularly taken that there is no resin in between the jack springs or around the fixed condenser terminals. The resin can be cleaned by wiping the joints with a cloth moistened with alcohol.

Under no circumstances use acid core solder, or any soldering paste which has the slightest trace of acid in it. The acid will corrode the joints and eventually ruin reception.

To-morrow we describe the correct method of neutralizing the tube capacity of adjusting the neutralizing condensers.

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necessary to adopt a purging process. It might be done by redrafting the Labour Party's constitution in such a way that no self-respecting Communist could sign it. That would do the trick automatically, and Labour organisations in constituencies now returning Communists as Labour men would then have to decide whether they should stick to orthodox Labour or become the nucleus of a separate Communist Party. What the Labour leaders have to think of is the future, rather than the present of their party. Labour can hardly afford to allow itself to be tarred all over with the brush of Leninism; and besides, apart from the tomfoolery of the Communists, a house divided against itself cannot stand.

Leaders New and Old. Except as a parasite on the trade unions, neither Socialism or Communism is likely to make much headway in this country. Britons are naturally, and even fiercely, individualistic; and the so-called Socialists I know are as keen for self ways, self opinions, and self advantage as any others. The elderly Socialist and Labour leaders of to-day obtained their positions of influence and ease by out-bidding the old-style Lib-Lab, and now they in their turn—the Clynes, the Thomases, the Hodgesses—are themselves becoming the targets of the ambitious sharpshooters of the new generation. The unfortunate part of the business is that quiet, prudent statesmanship is not popular with the rank and file of Labour. It is generally the men who shout the loudest and promise the most that get to the top; and when they have had their little fling they, too, I suppose, will be ousted by newer comers professing the latest political "ism," to whom the Communists and Bolsheviks of to-day will be nothing but "silly old women," "back numbers," and numbers of obsolete creeds. It is not all, of course, conscious deception and self-seeking. Many of the young, hot-gospellers are terribly in earnest; but the result is the same whether they be mere charlatans or half-educated fanatics in too great a

hurry to master natural laws or to learn from history.

Freedom or Feudalism! It is a tremendous pity! It is a pity that the workers' natural leaders—the clever men of the working classes—should be unable to grasp the simple elements of political economy before they reach the age of the easy chair at the fireside. It is a pity that the workers as a body, should not be enlightened enough to refuse to be misled. It is a pity that in the face of the lessons of experience men and women in growing numbers are ready, in theory at least, to hand over their personal liberty to the State, or, in other words, a huge body of arbitrary bureaucrats, instead of seeking out for themselves along the path of greater freedom the true remedy for the inequalities and injustices of life. Will it, I wonder, for ever be impossible to make the masses of our people realise that men are free and poor because the land, the storehouse of wealth, is idle and monopolised? That no man has a right to more than he produces? That a man's true and ideal destiny is not to be a cog in a great machine, but to be a free man—free in thought, in action, and in movement—possessing equal rights with his fellows; free to work for himself or for another, and therefore possessed of the power, not of so-called collective bargaining, but of individual bargaining at the full value of his labour? Cannot the workers see that without freedom there can be no progress—only a return to feudalism in a new form?

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Informal Card Tournament

MARKS OPENING MESSRS. BOWRING BROS. NEW OFFICES.

The directors of Messrs. Bowring Bros., with the entire staff, as well as a number of guests, held an informal card party last night to mark the occasion of the opening of their new offices. The Bowring Social and Athletic Association, with the assistance of the newly formed Ladies' Auxiliary, looked after the arrangements and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent by all. The card tournament took place in the main office of the new building. The room, a very spacious one, was tastefully decorated, while the firm's colors were prominently displayed. Mr. W. Roberts, of the Grocery, won first prize in the tournament, while the "Blue Bird" prize was awarded to Mr. E. Carberry, Chief Electrician. At 11 o'clock the ladies served supper. The spread was a very elaborate one and was done full justice to by all. Messrs. McGettigan, B. Kelly and M. Malone, gave an exhibition of step dancing before the close, with Mr. Percy Jardine supplying the music. The above added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening. The staff will move into their new quarters next week.

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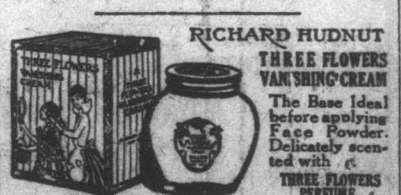
Famous Spanish Letter in Circulation

Several persons in town have received recently the famous Spanish prisoner's letter, offering wealth untold to those who will send him funds to assist him in his efforts to secure relief. This rascal who for years has been duping the gullible public in all parts of the world was eventually laid by the heels a short time ago and will doubtless receive the full punishment which he rightly deserves for his long career of fraud. Whether the present letters, dated Feb. 2nd, are sent out by the original Spanish prisoner, or by another who had adopted his plan is not known; but any one who is foolish enough to pay any attention to such appeals deserves to lose his money.

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His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Richard M. Gough (Salmonier), to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony. His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has been pleased to appoint Mr. Frederick Vatcher, (Rose Blanche) to be a Surveyor of Shipping, under the Provisions of Cap. 171, Consolidated Statutes (Third Series), in place of Mr. R. Furneaux, resigned. Dept. of the Colonial Secretary, March 15th, 1925.



M. G. C. A. ANNUAL MEETING.—The annual meeting of the Methodist Guards Comrades Association, takes place in their Club Rooms, Queen St., on Monday night next. At this meeting business of vital importance will be dealt with, and it is desired that every member will make an earnest effort to attend.

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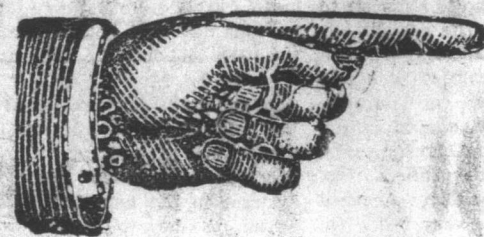
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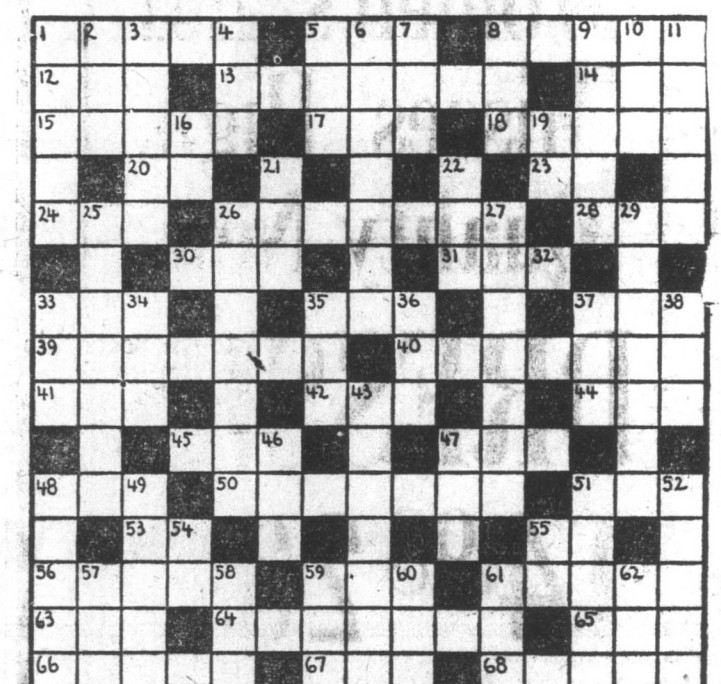
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- HORIZONTAL: 1-Charge, 2-Thoroughfare (abbr.), 3-Got up, 12-A suffix meaning "pertaining", 13-Pound again, 14-A vegetable, 15-Ice, 17-A limb, 18-A weapon, 20-Conjunction, 23-Abb., for title of a physician, 24-Frequent, 26-Mending, 28-Kind of tree, 30-Toward, 31-Parched, 33-A serpent, 35-Part of the foot, 37-Possesses, 38-City in Illinois, 40-Very large city in U. S. A., 41-Tilt, 42-Brief poem, 44-Thirsty, 45-Instrument for writing, 47-Ermet, 48-The reply (abbr.), 50-Removing dust, 51-Reverential form, 53-Condition, 55-Conjunction, 56-City in Nebraska, 59-An incalculable period of time, 61-John, 63-Small rug, 64-Shrill cries, 65-Bag, 66-Open spaces, 67-Consumed, 68-Happening.
- VERTICAL: 1-Musical instrument, 2-Traveled fast, 3-Mass of cast metal, 4-Make a mistake, 6-Watering place, 6-Large city in Canada, 7-Total, 8-Advertisements (abbr.), 9-Musical entertainment, 10-Ocean, 11-A planet, 12-Letters used to form compass five degree, 19-Paid (abbr.), 21-Proceeded rapidly, 22-Finish, 25-Style, 26-Fearful, 27-Getting larger, 28-A common bird, 32-Perform, 34-The seed of an orange, 35-Also, 38-Point of compass (abbr.), 37-Coal-scuttle, 38-Firmament, 43-City in Michigan, 46-Fruit of a tree, 47-Also, 48-Snake of the boa family, 49-Condition, 51-Get up, 52-Understanding, 54-Exclamatory, 55-Upon, 57-Blemish, 58-Silly fellow, 59-Period, 60-Formerly, 61-Employ, 62-Reddish brown.

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle.

Household Notes
Worn with a dark costume the small hat of white felt is chic. A small hat of blond felt has itsuffed brim crossed in the back. Shades of tan, natural kasha, and gray lead for street wear. A cut-out design of beige kasha is effective on a frock of brown crepe.

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Council

MEETING. The meeting of the Council of the M... yesterday... Overseas... Underbridge... was presided over by... of minutes... following... claim made... time ago... around... the De... informed... had been refer... engineer; the... the fence... on the en... less a con... on... Chairman, Bel... Council inter... at rear of... damaged... shed at the... own off in... number. The... Sanitary De... Report... applied for... His applica... filed... Secretary of... asked permis... preparatory... inside Quid... responsible... work. This... Lester for... and... were pass... of the... office necess... ed: ... section... a cheque... on City... 78 and for... towards up... amounting... or 21st, 1925... Department... stated that... early spring... to have all... given attentio... of Health... of Scarlet F... past week... superior report... work of... was attende... of accounts... time business... RD HUDNUT... OWNERS COMP... and Minor... requirements... ing an indivi... Rouge or Po... d in all Po... Shades.

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Supreme Court

(Before Mr. Justice Kent.)

When the trial of Albert George Benson charged with the murder of his nephew, Walter John Sheppard, was resumed yesterday afternoon the following witnesses were called:—

Witness made a thorough examination of the place where he had been told the accident occurred. Going farther in Bayley's Cove path witness saw some blood stains scattered around. There had been rain but there were still quite a number of marks around. Accused was standing near at the time and he could not account for the blood marks. He said he thought they might be caused by a horse's foot having been cut. The snow with the blood marks on it was taken in to St. John's.

Three parts of the tree up struck the boy. He then lifted the tree off the boy and picked him up; he then took the boy in the path and laid him down on a bag of hay. He was taken in the path because of the creek side there was a marsh. He took him in thirty feet because he wanted room to turn the horse. It took about half an hour to come out. After getting in the woods that was the first tree he started to cut. On the way out he heard the boy groan several times. His wife asked him what was wrong with the boy and he said he did not know.

The marsh was frozen. The boy was brought in the road and where he was put down was about where the blood marks were. If the boy was put on the edge of the scrape he would have to be put on the junk and he did not want to do that. The coat was about thirty yards in from where he lodged the boy. The coat was an old one he sometimes wore in the woods. On the way out he met nobody; the first person met was his wife who asked what had happened the boy, and he told her that the boy had tumbled down the side of the hill to the dogwood. He was so frightened that he did not know what he was saying. He did not know why he was so frightened to say the tree had fallen on him and was not frightened to say the boy had tumbled into the dogwood. After going back the second time he took the bottom parts on to Bayley's Cove Path. He took the two bottom parts on to the path and left it from where it was. On the road he met his brother and told him the same as he had told his wife. He met King before he met his brother. The boy died in about five minutes after he was brought in the house. He told King he left the boy to pull down some logs.

At this stage adjournment was taken until ten o'clock this morning. This morning's session. When the trial began this morning the prisoner was again placed on the Witness Stand and his cross-examination by Mr. Hunt resumed. Asked if he had cut the tree away before the snail came, witness said it wanted four or five more chops. When he returned after bringing the boy home, he said he cleared it from the stump. His reason for going out to the wood the second time was to see his brother, and for no other reason except to get his hatchet and saw. He told his brother the same story as he told Mr. King that he left the boy to gather some logs whilst he went to cut some more. Witness declared that what he told his brother was false. It never entered his mind that it was best to let the tree alone until the authorities saw it. At Hillview he met Mr. Frost and he repeated to him the same as witness said. The accused admitted that this also was a false story. Witness on further cross-examination said his story to the jury was true. He did not know why he told all the people that the boy was found lying face down. It was a falsehood that he sang out to the boy and then came down the hill towards him. On the way out of the woods with the dying boy he passed seven or eight houses and it never came in his mind to get any assistance. After arriving home he left the boy there and returned again to the woods. Four days after he brought Constable Pittman to the scene of the accident and told him about finding the boy by the dogwood trees, and gave other particulars. Witness said all the story he told was true. To either his wife, brother or the first or six other people he told a true story, and the first time he spoke of the boy being killed by the tree was when he was in the lockup at St. John's.

Re-examined by Mr. Bradley witness said he did not know why he did not seek assistance at the nearest house. He wanted to get him home as quickly as possible. The boy was standing about 5 feet away when the tree fell. At 11 a.m. Mr. Bradley began his address to the jury. First he dwelt on the history of the boy for the two years he was living with the accused, dwelling particularly on the boy's proclivity for going in the woods. The witness reviewed the story as told by the accused. He urged that too much reliance could be put on the story of what particular part of the tree struck the boy. Falling on him it would have crushed him. It was evident that the trunk did not strike him. Mr. Bradley continued the story of the occurrence as related by the prisoner, and claimed that it squared with the proven facts. He said he did not propose to impeach the veracity of the Crown witnesses, and admitted their evidence as told. The scratches and abrasions on the face and arms were such as could be made by the limbs of a tree. As to

the marks on the boys buttocks, neither he nor his client could account for them, but it possibly could be done by one of the lowest limbs on the tree. He claimed that the Crown had produced no evidence to show that the accused had put any of the marks on the boys body. Had he been beaten there would be bruises. There was no evidence of his being beaten by a stick and unless the accused clawed the boy he could not produce the scratches. Dealing with the lying statements, he said it was natural judging from the type of man the accused was that he should fear what would happen him because of the boys death. He knew he was morally responsible in allowing the state to fall on the boy, and in this state of mind he was full of fear that he might be held responsible, and it was human for him to tell lies in order that he would not be brought into trouble. The stories told by the witnesses were, he claimed, in total a clumsy attempt of the accused to disassociate himself from the death. Regarding the blood marks found on the snow, he claimed that had a murder being committed, the accused would have removed this evidence. Further there was no evidence that the blood was that of the boy. There was absolutely no evidence as to the accused beyond that which was circumstantial. There was no evidence that the accused had beaten or throttled the boy, and he had gone in the box and sworn that he had not beaten him, and his testimony was unshaken. Nor was there any evidence to show any reason why the accused should want to get rid of the boy. In conclusion, Mr. Bradley asked that the jury should give the facts their closest consideration, bearing in mind that no direct evidence had been produced against him, and he felt sure they would do every justice to the accused knowing that his life rested in their hands.

Mr. C. E. Hunt then proceeded with the address on behalf of the Crown, and pointed out that murder or manslaughter were difficult crimes to bring home to an accused because the crimes are committed in secret. Crown Counsel pointed out that there was no way in which to get the story of what happened on that day except from the accused. He held that there is nothing to be hidden the truth is told, but when some wrong is done lying stories are resorted to. The admitted facts in the case pointed to the guilt of the prisoner. He was the only one who saw the whole transaction, yet when he came home he told falsehoods to his wife, his brother and others. On eight different occasions he told a story different to that which he told on the witness stand, and it was not until he brought to court that he told anything of the tree falling on the boy. The Crown contended that the story is false. There was no reason to deny that the tree fell on the boy—if it did fall on him. According to his evidence the accused was willing that the boy should be buried without anyone knowing what happened him. Reviewing the story of what transpired after the boy was picked up, the Crown counsel claimed that all actions of the accused showed a most callous nature, and he asked why he had gone back to the "scrape" to saw off the log, within an hour after the tragedy unless he had a reason for doing so. The Crown claimed that it was when he went back the second time that he cut the tree. The end of the log did not bear evidence of the tree being blown down by a gust of wind, and he claimed that this end of the log which was clean cut through was the end of the log which was cut by the accused. He put it to the jury as a probable fact that the boy wanted to get to his rabbit slips and the accused wanted him to work. In connection with the death it was not the duty of the Crown to show exactly how it was brought about, the jury had to be convinced that the accused was guilty. He reviewed the story as it was brought about by the evidence or on the spur of the moment. If they found in the former, they could bring in a verdict of murder. If in the second case it might be either murder or manslaughter. Counsel claimed that the marks on the face and those on the buttocks pointed to the manner in which the boy met his death. He claimed that the defence was put to the extremity of practically admitting a charge of manslaughter in order to hide the tree story of the occurrence. The circumstantial evidence produced by the Crown was compatible with the charge made. It was not compatible with the story told by the accused. Mr. Hunt concluded his very able address at 1 p.m. When recess was taken until 2:30 p.m. Before retiring to lunch His Lordship the Chief Justice directed the jury to make an examination of the portions of the tree which were in the court room as exhibits.

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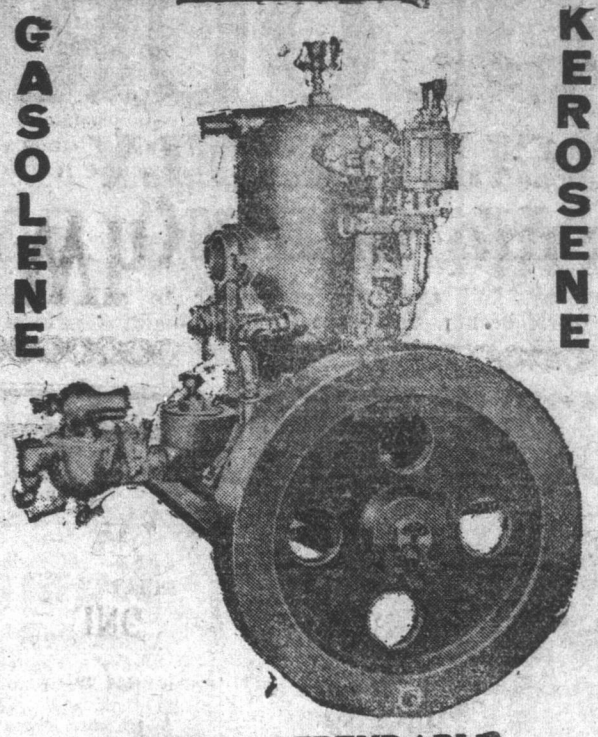
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