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Monday, Sept. 2d, being Labor Day and a statutory holiday, the Morning Guardian will not be issued on Tuesday. The Evening Guardian will not be issued on Monday, but will be published as usual on Tuesday. Advertisers please note these changes.

## PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION

With the opening of the month of September the one great event looked forward to is the Provincial Exhibition. The advertisement of this year's exhibition, which has been running in The Guardian for some days past gives some idea of the program that has been prepared and it will be seen at a glance that the promise is for the biggest exhibition in the history of the province.

There are many reasons why this year's exhibition should be our biggest yet. First and greatest is the fact that it is the only exhibition in the Maritime Provinces this season. St. John and Halifax, in previous years, furnished all the exhibition our New Brunswick and Nova Scotia friends looked for. This year, the privilege denied them at home, they will come here. Second, our crops this year are among the biggest and best in our history. Those desiring to see what the Garden of the Gulf can do in the matter of raising bumper crops will attend the exhibition. Third, there will be five days' horse racing in which the competitors will be the speediest horses in the Maritime Provinces. There have been several interesting horse races in the province during the present summer, just enough to whet the appetites of our horse-lovers for the biggest event of all at the Charlottetown Exhibition.

In addition to these attractions and others which might be mentioned, the management has secured a variety of entertainments for the amusement of spectators on the grand stand, and have made every possible arrangement to make this year's exhibition the greatest in the history of the province.

There undoubtedly will be a large attendance from the neighboring provinces, but the management are preparing to furnish accommodation for all who come by enlisting the co-operation of all who can provide lodging and meals during exhibition week.

The exhibition is the Island's biggest event in any year; it is everybody's day and everybody should look forward to it as something in the making and the success of which they can help by talking it up, by exhibiting if possible, and especially by attending.

All citizens who can accommodate visitors during those days, when the hotels cannot possibly accommodate all, will be helping themselves, the city and the Exhibition Management, by handing in their names to Mr. C. R. Smallwood, Secretary of the Exhibition Association.

## STRANGLING THE GERMANS

In reading the names of towns and villages captured by the Allies in France it is difficult, even while closely following the map, to see the strategy and the meaning. Names of places, unfamiliar to the lay reader, follow each other in bewildering succession and the struggle appears to be a maze of slaughter with no definite strategy except to kill or capture Germans and obtain possession of more towns and villages.

In our despatches yesterday the fall of Noyon and Bapaume was recorded along with a number of others. It will be remembered that these places were reported a week ago as about to be captured.

French military critics pointed out that Bapaume could have been taken two days ago, but that the British prefer to manoeuvre the Germans out of it.

The well-known writer, Col. Fabry, shows why it is essential for the enemy to desperately defend the way to Douai and Cambrai.

If, he says, the Allies could seize the triangle formed by these towns and Valenciennes, and the cross-roads of Longwy, then practically the whole network of railways which feed the enemy's present front will be cut, which means the strangulation of his armies in France.

The ultimate aim of the strategic plan

which Marshal Foch is working out in the present series of battles is the subject of much speculation both in London and Paris. Broadly, the military experts are divided into two camps. Some believe that Marshal Foch is striking a number of hammer blows with the object of weakening the enemy numerically, and as regards positions and morale, preparatory to a decisive blow at some absolutely vital spot. Others think that at present the generalissimo is endeavoring to disorganize what is really a great German retreat or intention to retreat on large sectors, being content to reap the rich fruits of this disorganization in the shape of big hauls of prisoners and material and to allow later results to guide him in a matter of more decisive action this year.

Some able French critics hold the second view, which is based on the theory that an enemy withdrawal is gradually going on to some new Hindenburg line, which probably is of greater depth than the first one. Those who argue that the world is witnessing the preliminaries to a decisive stroke base their belief on the fact that the Allies presumably are employing very considerable forces, in the aggregate, in the present battles, that they are exploiting their gains to the utmost, and that they already are threatening vital enemy positions. They think also that it would be folly not to push to the last degree this year the immense advantage of Allied initiative, superior morale and enthusiasm for an offensive, especially among the Americans.

Other considerations pointed out, apart from weighty political reasons, are that the Germans still have many divisions in Russia and possibly may have still more divisions prepared for a surprise enterprise this year, on some other front. Hence, it is argued, it is not absolutely certain that a better chance will be offered in 1919, for the German front in the west is now more or less fairly "liquid."

## OFFICIAL COURTESY

We note by our United States exchanges that Mr. McAdoo, the Director General of Railways in that country, is officially investigating rumors of "widespread and growing discontent on the part of the traveling public with the treatment accorded it by railway employes." One exchange remarks that "some of the reported rudeness, impertinence and insolence may have worked its way down from high official quarters as a consequence of the government's assumption of authority over the corporations."

The complaints reaching Mr. McAdoo were that "employes are not treating the public with as much consideration and courtesy under government control of the railroads as under private control."

A similar complaint is frequently heard in Canada. The man who meets with an act of discourtesy on the part of an employe of any system, usually blames the system, not the man. The truth is that the man and not the system is at fault.

In Canada, on Government Railways, as on company railways, one meets with courtesy and discourtesy; with well-informed and ill-informed officials. They were neither made courteous nor discourteous, neither well-informed nor ill-informed, by the systems under which they worked. Unfortunately some men are discourteous by nature and by early training; fortunately also the majority of those who reach responsible positions are naturally the other way and, on the whole, while unquestionably there are exceptions, the courteous man or woman travelling over Canadian or United States railways and steamers meets with much more courtesy than the reverse.

A story is told of a drunken passenger who occupied a seat in a crowded car. Seeing a lady standing he staggered to his feet and courteously offered her his seat. Before she could get into the seat a man standing nearby slipped into it. The drunken man expostulated with him, telling him very forcibly and very plainly that he had not left the seat for him but for the lady. The usurper, secure in his stolen seat, waved him aside. "Get away," he said, "you're drunk." "Yes," returned the inebriate. "I'm drunk, and I'll get over it; but you're a pig, and you'll never get over it."

Courtesy among officials may be similarly classed. Whether plain gentlemen or plain pigs they will never get over it. Few of the pig variety hold responsible positions for any length of time. Unfortunately, while they do, they unjustly bring reproach upon the whole system to which they belong as well as inconvenience and annoyance to others. But let us not mistake the man for the system. Gentlemen are gentlemen under any system, and "pigs are pigs."

## HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

Violent and Rose, and Lily white,  
 A nosegay make of rare delight  
 And speak to me  
 Of loyalty  
 To Faith and Honor, and the Right—  
 Of Honor fair and Courage true,  
 And Purity of spotless hue,  
 For don't you see  
 Out of the three  
 We get the Red, and White and Blue?

The first Baroness Macdonald, wife of the late Sir John A. Macdonald, First Prime Minister of the Dominion, celebrated her eighty-second birthday last Saturday. She was the first Canadian woman Baroness in her own right, raised to the peerage by Queen Victoria. Baroness Macdonald is at present residing in Italy.

After a brief visit to England to see their son and heir, the Marquis and Marchioness of Hartington are back again in Paris. Lord Hartington was very ill after taking part in the expedition to Gallipoli; so he has been working for some time on special service in Paris. During his parents' absence abroad, the baby Earl of Burlington remains in the charge of his grand-parents, the Marquis and Marchioness of Salisbury, at Hatfield House. The Marquis of Hartington is the son of Their Excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire.

The Earl of Minto, son of a former Governor-General of Canada, who is coming from England as an aide de camp to the Duke of Devonshire, is twenty-seven years of age. He has seen service in the Scots Guards. His younger brother, Hon. Edmond Elliot, was killed in action last year.

Many hostesses made use of the Golf Links for informal luncheon parties as a means of entertaining their guests during the past week.

## DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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### THE THINGS I KNOW

I do not know why God permits the carnage made by war,  
 And still allows such darksome deeds  
 His handiwork to mar  
 But this I know, my guilty soul was filled with deepest night  
 Until I fell at Jesus' feet; His presence gave me light.

I do not know where he shall be who bows to stock and stone  
 And dies in heathen ignorance of Christ, who save alone,  
 But this I know, I saw myself a sinner in his sight  
 And sought forgiveness through His grace; His presence gave me light.

I do not know about some things the critics think they see  
 Within the Book my mother loved and dying gave to me,  
 But this I know, I read that Book and found my path made bright,  
 For Jesus came and walked with me—His presence gave me light.

I do not know why sin abounds and why temptation sore  
 Should be allowed to press my soul and vex me o'er and o'er,  
 But this I know, when hell assails and bitter grows the fight,  
 I trust in Him who died for me; His presence gives me light.

I do not know why pain should come to shake my earthly frame,  
 Nor why affliction should oppress those who adore His name,  
 But this I know, whatever my lot, He doeth all things right,  
 In sickness, sorrow, pain or loss, His presence gives me light.

I do not know where he may lead, nor what may be my fate,  
 Nor if my little day of life will early close, or late,  
 But this I know, He gives me now a vision naught can blight  
 I am His own—He died for me—His presence gives me light.  
 —The "Christian Advocate"

One of the agreeable features of the summer hotel life, especially at Brackley Beach, this season was the series of concerts given by the guests, assisted by outside talent. Credit for the success of these enjoyable social gatherings is said to be largely due to the untiring energy of Miss Pippet, who is deeply interested in all patriotic work.

Colonel Nelles, accompanied by Mrs. Nelles and two bright boys who have been spending the past year in this city, left Thursday for their homes in Regina.

One of the most enjoyable afternoon teas of the season was given by Mrs. G. W. Hodgson on Thursday afternoon at her lovely home on Grafton Street in honor of several visitors and their friends.

Her Majesty the Queen desires to convey to all the branches of the Queen Mary's Needle Work Guild and to all who have in any way contributed to the "shower of gifts" the expression of her grateful thanks for the way in which they have seen fit to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of her wedding day. It is a source of peculiar gratification to Her Majesty that they

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## YOUR PROBLEMS SOLVED

BY REV. T. S. LINSKOTT, D. D. (All rights reserved)

Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve our heart problems, religious, natural, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only; or use a pseudonym.

JUDICIAL IMPARTIALITY: "A Loser" asks, "What should be done in case a judge constantly shows partiality in the decision of cases?" If, as you allege, there is a judge who does what you say he should be impeached. He should be charged with the crime of which he is guilty and the law makes provision for such a contingency. It is quite possible however, that you having been "a loser" in a

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lawsuit are prejudiced and think that the judge before whom your case was tried showed particularly when he may be innocent of such a crime. Be careful therefore, what you do.

WHEN IN TROUBLE:—I am requested to answer the following: "What is the best thing to do when in trouble and perplexity?" When God walked upon the earth as a man, he

said "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." He also warned his followers not to allow themselves to be troubled but to depend upon him. I do not know of any better advice in your present emergency. If you accept Christ's remedy for trouble, you will be calm in your mind, nothing will perturb you, and the right thing will come to pass.

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