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## THE EXHIBITION

The Provincial Exhibition opens today in Charlottetown and if the promise and expectations of the past few days are fulfilled, and the weather keeps on its good behaviour, there will be a record attendance. The stage is set for the biggest exhibition yet held here and the numerous attractions which usually follow in the wake of large gatherings are already on hand.

The attractions for which the Exhibition management are responsible and which will be seen on the Exhibition grounds, are legitimate and designed for the entertainment of those attending the Exhibition. There will probably be others outside and throughout the city, means for the quick acquisition of wealth etc. In these the visitors must be guided by their own judgment and if they fail to realize the promised wealth they must lay the blame upon their unlucky stars. In any case if they make a bad investment they will meet with little sympathy. The man with the get rich-quick scheme usually assures himself of his toll; the investors are a secondary consideration.

As to the exhibition, there are many reasons why it should be the biggest yet held here. Many enquiries have come from the other provinces for accommodation; many entries have been made from outside points both for the races and for exhibits; the crops in this province are the largest and probably the best raised in the province for many years. In addition to this there has been a looking forward to this exhibition and everybody is ready for it. It is true the harvest is on and if the weather is favorable our farmers will be busy at least during part of the week but the work will not be so strenuous during the whole week that the great majority of them will not be able to attend during part at least of the exhibition.

The exhibition is a matter of personal interest to every farmer, to every person in the province; a matter of personal interest that it should be successful both from the educational and the financially successful point of view, and it will be to the interest of all to endeavour in every way to make it a success, to boost it, to attend it when possible and to give visitors every possible assistance.

## FIGHTING IT FACE TO FACE

Locking the jam up to prevent the boy from stealing it will save the jam, provided the locking is not neglected, but it will not prevent the boy from growing up a thief. To save the boy he must be taught that stealing the jam or anything else is a sin, is unmanly, is to hurt himself and his parents. If, with the jam in sight and within reach, he can resist the temptation to steal it, he has a good prospect of growing up an honest, manly boy.

A man who had become a slave to the drink habit, one day during a lucid interval, took himself severely to task for his weakness. "Is this thing going to get you in the end?" he asked himself. He went out, bought a bottle of whiskey, placed it with a glass beside it on the mantelpiece in his room. "Now," he said, addressing the bottle, "You think you've got me. I'm going to fight you face to face and let the best man win." He won out. He conquered himself and his enemy. It meant a fight, a strong determined, persistent, continuous fight. From being a dull, sickening often weakening effort to resist the temptation the fight became a glorious game, glorious with the assurance of victory and of continued success. The man won; the enemy had no more terrors for him.

Every other temptation can be faced in like manner, can be met face to face and beaten. Every moment of successful resistance adds to the strength for further resistance; "each victory will help you some other to win."

The fight against drink is not always won by placing the bottle on the mantelpiece nor in the front windows of liquor palaces, and defying it. As it is necessary in the case of some boys to lock up the jam so it is necessary also to lock up the whiskey as we have done by the Prohibition Act; yet the process does not necessarily

make the boys honest nor the toppers consistently sober. Each will probably seize the first opportunity to enjoy a blow out of his favourite beverage unless time, continued abstinence and healthful influences combine to effect the eradication of the besetting sin. Temptation, like any other enemy, must be met and fought face to face.

## FEDERAL CONTROL OF COALMINES

Apropos of the Dominion Government's action in giving to Mr. C. A. Magrath, fuel controller, authority to control the coal mines of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia the Ottawa Journal says that it urged such action a year ago. The Journal then continues: "Owing to inability on the part of the coal producing companies or indifference to national requirements, or both, the mines of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have not been producing anything like the quantity of coal that should come from them. Appeals and advice from the Government have been unavailing, so that the action now taken became a necessity."

"Mr. Magrath has been given wide authority. If advisable, he may take possession of any mine or mining plant and operate it on behalf of the country until the war is over, appointing such assistance as may be required for the conduct of the plant. Under the Fuel Controller's direction, the soft coal mines of Eastern Canada should assist to a very considerable extent in tiding the country over the coal shortage period of the coming winter. But there are wider possibilities. Mr. Magrath's direction of coal production for reasons of immediate necessity may provide a valuable experiment in the national operation of coal mines. If the mines can be operated to greater national advantage in a war emergency, why not in peace time, as well? Soft coal will be an important factor in the post-bellum industrial development of Canada. Mr. Magrath's experiment should be closely watched. He has an uncommon opportunity for demonstrating the wisdom, or the reverse, of the prevailing movement in the direction of the nationalization of industry."

## GERMANY'S TOOLS

What will be the effect upon Bulgaria and Turkey of the German and Austrian proposal for peace discussion? Berlin makes its own explanation of these overtures, but in Sofia and Constantinople they will be interpreted undoubtedly as proof that the Germans have abandoned all idea of winning and are beginning a series of advances for the purposes of making the best terms available. Such is the fact, and German misrepresentation cannot prevent the Bulgarians and the Turks from recognizing it. These tools of Germany have been accustomed to utterances of quite another flavor from Berlin, to assertions that the German sword will be victorious and that a great German empire will impose its own terms upon the world. The Turks and Bulgarians have been docile tools of a Germany which breathed force and constantly boasted its ability to destroy its enemies. So long as they believed Germany capable of making these boasts good, the Turks and Bulgarians had reason to believe their services would be repaid in the end by territorial rewards and by the powerful protection of Berlin. But when Berlin and Vienna are seen fishing for a compromise peace the Turks and Bulgarians will be quick to recognize that the future holds for them neither reward nor protection, that all their expenditures in blood and treasure have been worse than useless, and that in the end the Allies will be able to deal with them according to their deserts. Undoubtedly news has already reached the Bulgarian and Turkish capitals showing that the German overtures have been rejected, that the war is to go on with constantly increasing odds against the Central Powers and with unconditional surrender as their own prospect.

It is just at this time that the Bulgarians are forced to meet a heavy Allied attack in Macedonia. It is estimated that the Allied forces on the Balkan front now number approximately 500,000 men, of which total 200,000 are Greeks, 100,000 are Serbians, and 200,000 are French, British and Italians. It appears that there are few if any German troops assisting the Bulgarians. The prospect of help from Germany is not good, and as the Bulgarians and the Turks have been at odds for some months past it looks as though the Bulgarians would have to fight without assistance. Facing such a situation, and knowing that the Germans and Austrians have begun to talk peace, the Bulgarians may be tempted to seek terms for themselves. Evidently the new Allied offensive in the Balkans promises important developments.

## Your Problems Solved

BY REV. T.S. LINSKOTT, D. D.  
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Dr. Linscott, in this column will help you solve your 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.

PROSPERITY: "What is generally the moral effect of prosperity?" asks an "observer". Prosperity ought to make men thankful and humble and make them kinder to their fellow creatures and sometimes this is the result, but I fear it is the exception and not the rule when it works that way. More frequently prosperity produces pride, haughtiness and develops a selfish spirit. Making money is like feeding on wind; the more you have the hungrier you are. People who are beginning to prosper ought to pray mightily to be kept loving and kind.

DID I DO RIGHT TO LEAVE HIM? asks a young woman who is twenty seven years younger than her husband who had treated her very harshly for ten years. If, as you say, your husband treated you harshly, made you work like a man, and when you earned money by keeping cows and poultry, took every dollar from you, and sold your favorite horse because you were fond of it, and was constantly jealous of you without cause, and never spoke to you kindly, you had a perfect right to leave him. I cannot advise you as to the future, but no doubt a woman of your evident ability can easily make a living. I am certain how ever you never will be happy until you have conscious fellowship with God.

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Daily Selections For Guardian Readers  
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In God's good time we'll see the reason why To some He gives, to others must deny;

We will not think it strange, or wonder then Why different gifts he gives to different men.

In God's good time the feet we thought so strong We'll find could not have run the journey long; The willing hand has palsied o'er it wrought; In mercy God denied them what they sought.

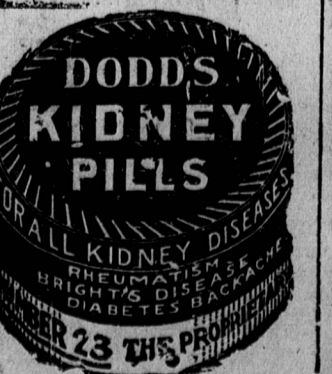
In God's good time the will that was most weak We'll learn was stayed by Cross it did not seek; The careless heart had trifled all its days; In mercy God with shadows spread their ways.

In God's good time we will thank him for our share Of burden that to others were no care; Of tasks, most irksome, which He bade us do Of crosses, borne alone the whole life through.

In God's good time no sigh will seek release For that which now we deem would grant us peace; We'll know that, had we cast ourselves the lot, The path had led where peace abideth not.

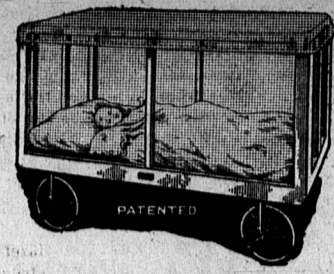
In God's own time we'll understand the pain Which now we feel, was big for us with gain; That, had we travelled less, the child of strength Would never from the soul have leaped at length.

In God's own time, with all life's lessons learned The purpose in this training then discerned; We will not think it strange, or wonder then, Why different gifts God gave to different men.



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