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The Budget Debate

The budget debate, now in progress in the Legislature, has been lively at times and has been followed with keen interest by the public.

Hon. J. D. Stewart, leader of the Opposition, followed with a searching analysis of the figures presented by the Premier.

The Opposition leader also dealt fully with the subsidy claims question, pointing out that the problem of raising revenue, the most serious now facing the Province, had been entirely ignored in the Premier's budget speech except for the announcement that borrowings greater than ever before were being contemplated.

Hon. B. W. LePage, chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, made a curious statement which does not appear in the extended report of his speech as published in the Patriot.

that "we have no convictions today because we have no offenders. The place is dry." Mr. Allen lives in Summerside. We shall leave our Summerside readers to make their own comment on this contribution to the debate.

Mr. G. Shelton Sharp made a splendid impression in his maiden speech in the Legislature. He made a searching analysis of the extravagance in the road policy carried on by the present Government, showing, among other things, that on a basis of \$27,000 a mile (the cost of the so-called McIntyre Highway) it would cost a million dollars to run a "McIntyre" highway to Summerside, another million to run it to Borden, two millions to run it from Summerside to Tignish, and if King's County were included the total cost, for paving the main arteries of the Province alone, would be five or six million dollars.

In another issue we shall review briefly the speeches of the other participants in the debate.

Ticket Of Leave Act

The Liberal organ comments adversely on the amount of space devoted by The Guardian to the Ticket of Leave Act. The Guardian has endeavored to furnish a full and unbiased report of the debate on this extraordinary piece of legislation.

"In order to make it clear that this Act is not intended as a political gesture or to gain the votes of parties who might apply for a ticket, the Act provides that no holder of a license shall be entitled to vote at a provincial election, while he is at large on ticket of leave."

The fact, as our readers are aware, is that this provision was added as an amendment only after the bill had been severely criticised in committee by the Opposition. It was not originally contained in the bill, nor has any safeguard been provided against exploiting the votes of the families of persons released under the Act, or of the persons themselves after their time has expired.

The Premier admitted that to his knowledge no legislation similar to the Ticket of Leave Act has been introduced in any other Province in Canada. And the fact that it is introduced by a so-called Prohibition Government on the eve of a general election can be open to but one interpretation, namely, that it is a political gesture, pure and simple, designed to placate supporters of the Liberal party who are anything but favorable to a strict enforcement of the Prohibition law.

Editorial Notes

Misrepresentation could scarcely go further than in the statement: "Island Potato Growers will lose \$1,000,000," which is used as a scare heading on the front page of the local Liberal organ of Saturday.

Question. How tall are you? Answer. 10 feet five inches. Question. You mean five feet ten inches. Answer. Did I say 10 feet five inches? Question. That's what you said. Answer. Well if I said 10 feet five inches I'll stick to it. Question. Are you a Politician Answer. No, but I'm in Politics.

The test cargo of four million feet of lumber from the Soviet Union which lay on board the Finnish steamer Anversose off Providence, Rhode Island, until the United States officials were satisfied about the convict labor charge, has been admitted. The United States Treasury Department recently declared an embargo against importations of the products of convict labor, and the burden of proof was placed on the shippers. In other words it was up to the Soviets to show that their goods were not produced by convict labor if they wished to sell them in the United States.

It has been announced that new wheat hybrids in preliminary tests have shown high rust resistance and satisfactory yield and quality. It is hoped that with the general distribution of these types in the next two or three years a considerable step will have been taken towards the conquest of the rust menace.

In the average year, rust destroys millions of dollars worth of grain on the prairies. The spores are in the air, and are carried over the wheat belt of the continent by prevailing winds at speeds estimated as high as fifty miles a day. Naturally, it is extremely difficult to find any way of guarding against these coming in contact with the wheat fields as an entirely free area may become infected by spores carried there from miles away.

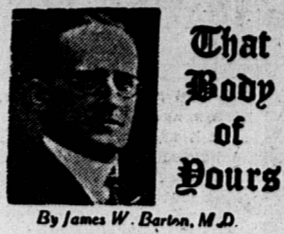
While there has been little left to desire in the quantity of wheat produced in this Dominion in the past few years, the developing of such wheat will do more than merely increase the quantity which Canadians can grow. The elimination of loss by rust is the elimination of waste, and cutting out waste in any branch of industry is a wise step. Every such step means that production is becoming more efficient, and Canada must be prepared to take advantage of every opportunity she has to increase her efficiency in production if competition is to be met and markets to be extended as necessary for real growth and progress.

King Alfonso was the last of the Bourbons to wear a crown. This historic family took its name from Bourbon l'Archambault, now a sleepy little township in the very middle of France. Ancient buildings there still recall the day when it was the chief city of one of the largest baronies of France in the tenth century.

The ancestor of the royal house of Bourbon was Anthony de Bourbon, who in 1554 married the heiress of Navarre, a little kingdom straddling the Pyrenees that finally split in two. The southern half went to Spain, the northern to France. Anthony was King of Navarre.

The first Bourbon to rule Spain was Phillip V, a grandson of Louis XIV of France. His succession in 1746 was heralded by the historic War of the Spanish Succession. Since Phillip's reign the family held to the throne, precariously and with several breaks, until Alfonso XIII Princes of the Bourbons remains, but no princedom.

ing. Why, in the issue of the Patriot on Saturday afternoon, is it suppressed and the statement made that Island potato growers will lose \$1,000,000 annually from the effects of a tariff which, as Hon. Mr. MacDonald states, will not apply to potatoes? The answer can only be that our contemporary is more concerned with political propaganda than with the publication of news.



HOPEFULNESS DURING SICKNESS

I often think that the very fact that the physician tries to be honest with his patient really makes him more frank than is necessary, with the result that the patient gets discouraged, and doesn't try to help himself or else goes to some healer or irregular practitioner for help.

Some doctors treated diabetes successfully for years by keeping the patient on a strict diet and giving him real encouragement in his effort to stick to it. Similarly with pernicious anaemia, then a really fatal disease, patient physicians have kept these cases alive for one to three years.

Heart disease at one time was considered the most serious ailment possible, and is still to-day the most frequent cause of death, nevertheless a great many serious heart cases are carried along safely for many years because the physician has pointed out a safe way for the patient to live and has given him the hope that he can continue to live if he follows instructions.

Now of course the above are serious ailments but this matter of instilling hope into a patient often means the saving of the patient's health and of life itself.

In tuberculosis, in hardening of the arteries, in chronic disease of the kidney, and other conditions not immediately fatal, many years can be added to these lives if they continue to hope and believe they will get better.

What is a big factor in this prolonging of life? The fact that if the patient is hopeful he is likely of course to be more cheerful, more interested in everything and he will eat his meals with a natural appetite that will insure good digestion of the food he eats.

This means that he will get the full nourishment from his food, instead of having indigestion and constipation from food only partly digested because of the depression of his feelings.

Even a well person will have attacks of indigestion and constipation if he eats when he is worried, depressed or tired.

Thus a little more hopefulness instilled into the patient by the physician is just as necessary as giving the honest opinion about the patient's ailment.



MINORA SIDERA

Sitting at times over a hearth that burns With dull domestic glow, My thought, leaving the book, gratefully turns To you who planned it so.

Not of the great only you deigned to tell— The stars by which we steer— But lights out of the night that flashed, and fell To night again, are here.

Such as were those, dogs of an elder day, Who sacked the golden ports, And those later who dared grapple their prey Beneath the harbour forts:

Some with flags at the fore, sweeping the world To find an equal fight, And some who joined war to their trade, and hurled Ships of the line in fight.

Whether their fame centuries long shall ring They cared not over-much, But cared greatly to serve God and the kind, And keep the Nelson touch;

And fought to build Britain, above the tide Of wars and windy fate; And passed content, leaving to us the pride Of lives obscurely great.

That if motor-cyclists were not so keen on adding riders to their machines, corner's juries would have less excuse for adding riders to their verdicts.

Newstead Abbey

"Peter Simple" in the Morning Post The ill-luck of Newstead Abbey, Byron's ancestral home, for which it has gained a reputation in recent years, does not seem to have deserted it. Bought as a gift for the nation early this year, it has not been taken over owing to the expense of maintenance. Now it is offered, to the Nottingham City Council. Newstead was built by Henry II. as an act of expiation for the murder of Thomas a'Becket. The prior's parlor, which was Byron's bedroom still contains the 4-post bedstead and the chintz curtains that were there in the poet's time, and in the grounds is the monument to his favorite dog, Boatswain, Byron, who sold Newstead to pay his debts, makes many allusions in his poetry to the old home. The line, "Hours and days as the past may still be thine" is an element of prophetic doubt.

Great Britain Healthy

(Vancouver Star) Paradoxical as it may sound, regarded superficially, last year's death rate in England and Wales was the lowest on record.

In a country which is passing through the severest economic depression in its recent history, with a climate which last year was exceptionally trying, the excess of births over deaths was no less than 194,033. These are the figures of the registrar-general and there is no gainsaying them.

What is the explanation of this cheerful piece of news? One can only surmise. Probably several reasons are the improved housing conditions, better sanitation, and, owing to the dole, far less abject poverty.

There is another possible cause of this improvement in the general health of the people and that is the fact that, of necessity, there has been a general tendency away from indulgence in luxuries in the matter of food and drink.

Whatever the reasons, this better bill of health, like the closing of many prisons as a result of a reduction in crime, is a good sign.

Nicknames Of Cities

WHAT YOU MAY CALL A PLACE BY WHEN YOU DO NOT WANT TO CALL IT BY ITS NAME.

Teachers in geography who wish to vary the work will find an exercise off the beaten track by taking these names of cities, letting the children locate them, and telling some interesting facts in connection with each. At the same time give the nickname. Children should know these thoroughly. When they come, in their reading, to the "City of Rocks" they will know it means Nashville. The following is a list I have in my scrap book and use in my classes.

Baltimore, Md., Monumental City. Birmingham, O., Bran Town. Boston, Mass., Puritan City; Modern Athens; Hub of the Universe; City of Notions; Athens of America; the Hub.

Brooklyn, N. Y., City of Churches. Buffalo, N. Y., Queen City of the Lakes.

Baalbeck, Syria, City of the Sun. Cairo, Egypt, City of Victory. Cincinnati, Or., Queen City; Popopolis; Queen of the West; Paris of America.

Chicago, Ill., Garden City. Cleveland, O., Forest City. Cork, Ireland, Irish em City. Dayton, O., Gem City.

Detroit, Mich., City of the Straits. Edinburgh, Scotland, Maiden Town; Northern Athens; Modern Athens; Athens of the North. Gibraltar, Key of the Mediterranean.

Hannibal, Mo., Bluff City. Havana, Cuba, Pearl of the Antilles.

Indianapolis, Ind., Railroad City. Jerusalem, Palestine, City of Peace, City of the Great King. Keokuk, Ia., Gate City. Louisville, Ky., Falls City. Limerick, Ireland, City of the Violated Treaty.

Lowell, Mass., City of Spinkles; Manchester of America. London, England, City of Metals; Modern Babylon.

Lynchburg, Va., Hill City. Milan, Italy, Little Paris. Nashville, Tenn., City of Rocks. New Haven, Conn., City of Elms. New Orleans, La., Crescent City. New York, N. Y., Gotham; Empire City; Metropolitan City. Philadelphia, Pa., Quaker City; City of Brotherly Love; City of Homes.

Pittsburg, Pa., Iron City; Smoky City; Birmingham of America. Portland, Me., Forest City. Paterson, N. J., Lyons of America. Quebec, Canada, Gibraltar of America.

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