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The Provincial Sanatorium

It is expected that in a few weeks the new Provincial Sanatorium will be officially opened. The event will be a most important one in the annals of the Province, and is being awaited with great public interest.

Located on an eminence at the outskirts of the city, equipped with every modern convenience and with facilities unexcelled in any institution of its size in Canada for the treatment of tuberculous patients, the Sanatorium will stand as a monument to the zeal and generosity of those public-spirited citizens who realized its need and gave unflinchingly and to the point of sacrifice towards its construction.

In this connection it is but fitting that we mention the name of Mr. George D. DeBlas, of this city, who in the early stages of the campaign contributed the magnificent sum of \$10,000. It was this generous contribution that inspired the campaign committee to go ahead with their work.

Famous Highways

"Some time before the Christian era there was an honourable gentleman who occupied a position in the Roman Empire somewhat similar to the position of Minister of Public Works. His name was Appius Claudius Cæcus. He is known in history as the projector of a highway.

"It is a great honour to have a highway named after one. In every city there are monuments; almost every man of note has a monument of some kind; but few have highways named after them. They are rescrvied to perpetuate the names of men of transcendental qualities. The Lincoln Highway, which runs from New

York to the opposite coast, is about 4,000 miles long; it is named after the great liberator, Abraham Lincoln, a man who was born in the most humble situation and who came to be one of the greatest statesmen of the Republic. Sixty years after he died, the people of that country thought that he was big enough and renowned enough to name a highway after him and they named it the Lincoln Highway.

"There is another highway out West, called the Pacific Highway. It is one of the most remarkable that was ever built. It runs from the boundary line of Canada to the Mexican border, through the most gorgeous scenery in the world. They could not find any man big enough to name it after, and they called it the Pacific Highway, after the greatest body of water in the world.

"You may count on the fingers of one hand the great highways of the world—the Applan Way, the Lincoln Highway, the Pacific Highway. "Then we come to the McIntyre Highway.

A Deserving Campaign

There are few organizations of any kind that have benefited this Province so much as the Canadian Red Cross Society. The transfer of a portion of the Red Cross activities to the Provincial Department of Health on July 1 will entail the withdrawal of one-half of the provincial grant for the year 1931. The Society, however, must keep up its organization in order to promote the Junior Red Cross movement and develop the work for crippled and otherwise handicapped children, together with such other lines of effort as may be necessary; and for these purposes it will require the same assistance by way of voluntary contributions as heretofore, and even greater help as the scope of its programme extends.

Our readers need only be reminded of these facts to welcome the volunteer workers who will collect contributions for this important work at the beginning of next week. In Charlottetown, envelopes will be delivered today and collected on Monday and Tuesday. The business men will be called upon, as in other years, and a generous response is expected. Throughout the country the Women's Institutes and the teachers will help in the collections. Circular letters have also been sent to the clergy of the Province, and it is hoped that all will co-operate to make the campaign a success.

May 12, the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, is now known as British Empire Red Cross Day. Next week's campaign, therefore, comes at a fitting time. We bespeak for it the generous patronage of all classes of our citizens.

Reducing National Burden

Premier Bennett has announced a far-reaching plan for reducing the interest payable on a large portion of the national debt. Loans aggregating a total of nearly one billion one hundred million dollars mature within the next three or four years. They bear interest at rates varying from 5 to 5 1/2 per cent. Mr. Bennett's proposal is to offer the holders of these securities probably 4 1/2 per cent. bonds. A test issue of something like \$300,000,000 will be shortly made. It is expected that the holders of the old bonds will be glad to have a new long-term issue with all the assets of the Dominion behind it. If they do welcome this conversion scheme, and the first issue is a success, others will follow as the market seems capable of absorbing them. The general effect

will be to reduce the existing burden upon the taxpayer, and at the same time to afford investors who prefer the soundest possible kind of long-term securities the opportunity which they most desire.

"Unfair to Premier Lea"

Our contemporary objects to the Guardian's statement that Premier Lea admitted that ferries were improperly included by the Public Accounts Committee as "assets" in its camouflaged statement of the liabilities of the Province. It says Premier Lea did nothing of the kind. Guardian readers, who were furnished yesterday with a full report of the discussion on this matter, will form their own opinion as to the merits of this contention. The Premier's argument was that the dairy herd at Falconwood had been properly included as an "asset" because the herd could be sold by auction and converted into cash. Then the following discussion ensued:

DR. McMILLAN: Are ferry boats saleable? PREMIER LEA: Of course not. That is different. DR. McMILLAN: But the ferry boats are included. Does the same reasoning apply to the ferry boats? PREMIER LEA: Oh, no; we could not do away with the ferry boats.

This is as plain an admission that the ferry boats were improperly included as it was possible for the Premier to have made. It was so plain, in fact, that the Hon. Horace Wright thought it necessary to contradict the Premier by stating: "There is no reason why the Government couldn't realize on the ferry boats if they wanted to." To this sophistry Dr. MacMillan promptly replied: "Couldn't you realize on all the furnishings of this building, too, if you wanted to?"—a question which Mr. Wright discreetly left unanswered. And so the discussion terminated.

The Liberal organ would be better employed in furnishing its readers with reports of the debates than in attempting editorially to garble its own leader's statements, merely to pull the Public Accounts Committee out of the ridiculous position in which the partisan zeal of its Liberal members has landed it.

Perverved Humour

The curious misstatement in the Liberal press that the Opposition members "voted" for the adoption of the report of the Public Accounts Committee may, or may not, be due to defective hearing on the part of the press representative. The fact is that when the motion was put the Opposition members said "Nay." It is true that no standing vote was taken, but what difference would that have made? The report would have been rallooded through, with or without the Opposition's consent. There were present two Conservative members of the Public Accounts Committee. Neither of them signed the report and neither they nor any member of the Opposition voted for it. The contention that the Opposition was a party to the frantic efforts of the Liberal members of the Committee to whitewash the Government's financial record is so ridiculous that it was evidently meant, not so much to deceive our contemporary readers, as to make them laugh.

Editorial Notes

"It is not necessary that we should have a precedent," said the Hon. E. W. LePage, chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, in excusing the unprecedented method adopted by the Liberal members of the Committee in making up their report of the Government's financial record. Mr. LePage and his colleagues in the Lea Government are a law unto themselves!

As an aftermath of the winter sleet storm, says the Sydney Post, many trees still carry broken branches, which long ago should have been lopped off. The sap is now running and householders who wish to save their treasures should lose no time in having this important matter attended to. Clinging branches suck the life-giving fluid from the main stem and its offshoots, and should they not be removed it is probable the tree will droop and die.

Notes by the Way

Just 100 years ago or to be exact on April 29th, 1831 the Royal William, the first ship to cross the Atlantic under her own steam was launched at Quebec City. The occasion was celebrated with great pomp and ceremony including a military salute from the Citadel of Quebec. The voyage across the Atlantic was successfully completed and the Royal William on her return trip called at Charlottetown. To commemorate the event a brass tablet was set up in the corridor leading to the library of Parliament bearing the inscription:

In Honor of the Men By whose enterprise, courage and skill.

THE ROYAL WILLIAM the first vessel to cross the Atlantic by Steam power was wholly constructed in Canada and navigated to England in 1833. The Pioneer of those mighty fleets of ocean steamers by which passengers and merchandise of all nations are now conveyed on every sea throughout the world. Ordered by the Parliament of Canada, June 13, 1834

The American Philosophical Society meeting in Philadelphia, was told by Dr. Lee K. Frankel that in the future men will live longer, work more contentedly in the field of endeavor that they enjoy, when orphan asylums and welfare organizations will be things of the past. "Year by year we shall have fewer hospitals," he declared. "The job of the doctor will be to prevent disease, not to cure it. Industry, because of the constantly increasing technological developments, will be able to maintain efficient production with a marked reduction in the length of the working week. The world will have more leisure and the problem of the future will be the adequate use of leisure."

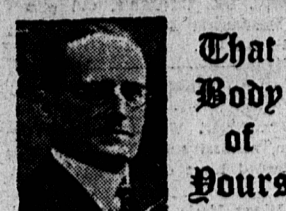
How serious the British Labor party regards its defeat in the by-election at Ashton-under-Lyne, an industrial constituency in Lancashire, can best be realized by the invective the party spokesmen and partisan press are directing against Sir Oswald Mosley, minister, whose inexperience on running a candidate in opposition to the official Labor nominee is held by Government supporters to be wholly responsible for the spectacular triumph of Lieutenant-Colonel Broadbent, Conservative, with 12,420 votes. The Laborite, Mr. J. Gordon, was over 1,400 ballots behind the member-elect. Mr. A. Young, Mosleyite, whose party counts seven members in the House of Commons, received 4,472 votes, which was sufficient to convince Sir Oswald that in another week he could have won the seat. This may be too egotistic, but however much the Ministerialists may seek to discount the Young vote and deny Sir Oswald Mosley as a political mountebank whose programme is merely the old tune of protection set to jazz time to make it appeal to bright young people, they cannot do other than what they are doing and "look with alarm" at the shattering of their forces every time there is an appeal to the people. And there are still four vacancies in the Commons!

Buenos Aires, capital of Argentina, and the largest city south of the Equator, has a population of 2,153,200 according to the census taken in November last. This is an increase of 282,200 over the figure for 1924. The city's history goes back to 1535, but its greatest development has been since 1890. Judging by its growth in the last few years it has still greater things ahead.

Cases of motor accidents seem to be becoming more numerous as the driving season advances. The combination of dazzling headlights and darkened stationary vehicles is responsible for numerous deaths and maimings. A campaign to stop such offences seems to be necessary.

Every now and then proof is given that the age of chivalry is not past. The wireless operator on the Swedish tanker Castor who, after he and the crew had left the burning vessel, went back and sent out a last wireless call for help and then dived into the sea to be picked up by his comrades, was a real hero. He ran the risk of being burned to death or dying in an explosion. Courage of that kind deserves recognition.

Premier Bennett's presentation at the Imperial Conference of the case of the Dominion in regard to trade is already bearing good fruit. A London letter says Canada is now in charge at the Empire Marketing Board's first shop to be opened in England. The shop is at 81 High Street, Birmingham, and Canada's display was opened on 20th April by the Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, K. C., High Commissioner for Canada in London. During the next fortnight Canadian produce only will be shown in the shop, and will also be sold there in sample form.



By James W. Barlow, M.D. NEW USES FOR SURGERY.

Just as there are lung specialists, heart specialists, stomach specialists and so forth in medicine, so also are there orthopedic specialists, abdominal specialists, and brain specialists in surgery. A brain specialist, up to a few years ago, confined his work to the brain, but now we find that he is being called on to operate on all parts of the body because after all the nerves from the brain and spinal cord go to every part.

And so we see operations on the nerves of the face to relieve the terrific pain in the large nerve that supplies the face and teeth; trifacial neuralgia is it is sometimes called. In old cases of tuberculosis where fresh air, rest, good food, and even trying to rest the lung, by having gas pumped up against it, have all failed to arrest the progress of the disease, cutting the nerve supplying the lung prevents movement and the lung gets a chance to rest.

In angina pectoris, that severe pain over the heart, with which there is a feeling of impending death surgical treatment by cutting the nerve supply that keeps the blood vessels partly closed, allows more blood to flow to the actual muscles of the heart, and brings relief.

Similarly in severe cases of asthma the use of surgery has given relief to many sufferers. In the severe pain attending sciatica and many chronic cases of rheumatism in the joints, great relief has been given many chronic sufferers by surgical interference with the nerve supply of the parts. You can perhaps realize what this means in the relief of the pain, and the crippling of these cases.

Some cases of epilepsy have been cured by this surgical interference. You can readily see the great possibilities of surgery in many ailments where medicine, rest, heat, electricity and so forth, can be of no avail. In relief of pain, and the increase of circulation of the blood in a part, this new surgical treatment is bound to make great strides in the future. Dr. S. W. Swift and P. G. Fithow point out "the brain surgeon is now a spinal cord surgeon, a nerve surgeon, a neck and chest and an abdominal surgeon." They quote Dr. W. J. Mayo as saying that surgery of the future is the surgery of the sympathetic nervous system, which controls all the organs, glands and blood vessels of the body.



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Reminders and Reviews

We have all enjoyed the delightful wit and, frequently, the whimsicality of G. K. Chesterton's prose writings. Even his serious work displays a merry twist—a smile here, and there, and this happy attribute, together with his unquestioned ability, has placed him in the foremost rank of living English writers.

He does not tell, in the brief autobiographical sketches I have read, how he attained to this apostleship of laughter; we may learn that from his biographers later on, but win to it he did, and undoubtedly through some stress of mind or body. The natural, or surface variety of wit is more concerned with applause than apostleship, and Chesterton's poetry—the heart-language of all writers—reveals his true purpose.

"Cleanse us from ire of creed or class, Sow in our souls, like living grass, The anger of the idle kings; The laughter of all lowly things." His "Ballade of Suicide" is a delightful blending of wit and banter.

"The gallows in my garden, people say, Is new and neat and adequately tall, I tie the noose on in a knowing way As one that knots his necktie for a ball; But just as all the neighbours—on the wall— Are drawing a long breath to shout "Hurray!" The strangest whim has seized me . . . After all I think I will not hang myself today.

To-morrow is the time I get my pay— My uncle's sword is hanging in the hall— I see a little cloud all pink and grey— Perhaps the rector's mother will not call— I fancy that I heard from Mr. Gall That mushrooms could be cooked another way— I never read the works of Juvenal— I think I will not hang myself today.

The world will have another washing day; The decadents decay; the pedants pall; And H. G. Wells has found that children play, And Bernard Shaw discovered that they squall; Rationalists are growing rational— And through thick woods one finds a stream astray, So secret that the very sky seems small— I think I will not hang myself today.

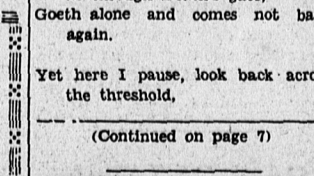
Prince, I can hear the trumpets of Germinal, The tumbrils tolling up the terrible way; Even today your royal head may fall— I think I will not hang myself today."

Here is something entirely different; a love poem; "Love's Trappist."

"There is a place where lute and lyre are broken, Where scrolls are torn and on a wild wind go. Where tablets stand wiped naked for a token, Where laurels wither and the daisies grow.

Lo: I too join the brotherhood of silence, I am Love's Trappist and you ask in vain, For man through Love's gate, even as through Death's gate, Goeth alone and comes not back again.

Yet here I pause, look back across the threshold, (Continued on page 7)



RECURRENCE We've known another world, another sun; And you, and you and I have some time gone Upon the hill as green as this, a road shadowed as this road is with lovely trees, Upon a lovely day no less as fair As this fair morning, you, and you and I Have come upon a wild bird, suddenly, Where he was singing in the thickest bush

Today's not all of living. Oh my friends, Have you forgotten how that other song Came down the wind to our untroubled hearts? No, you have not forgotten. In your eyes I see the shadow of remembrance lying



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How we sought Beauty in the dawn of days, Beauty who made no sound, nor any print Of her white feet upon the shore of time.

And still we seek her, you, and you and I, Over the earth today. The barren hours, The barren fields and vineyards that we reap Hinders us nothing. All our passion's flame Cools not for unfulfillment. In the end The long assaulted wall shall crumble down. There is no ultimate disaster here Nor yet hereafter. You, and you and I Have seen young April slumbering in snow And are persuaded it is sleep, not death.

This fleeting circumstance of time and space Is the low laughter of the firmament And nothing more; and you, and you and I, The pale persistent breath of parent stars Well-spied upon the time— home.

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