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BIRTHS

DALTON—At Summerside on Nov. 30 to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Dalton, a daughter.

DEATHS

McLEOD.—At Earncliffe on Nov. 13th, 1913, George Talmage McLeod, aged 19, the youngest and dearly beloved son of Malcolm J. and Mrs. McLeod.

McLENNAN.—At Fredericton, after a short illness, Mr. Norman McLennan, aged 67 years. Funeral on Friday, Dec. 5th at one o'clock to Hartsville cemetery.

HANDRAHAN—In Charlottetown on the 3rd inst, Mrs. Mary Josephine Handrahan, widow of the late Thos. Handrahan, aged 68 years. The funeral takes place on Friday morning, at 9:30 o'clock, to the Pro-Cathedral and thence to the R. C. Cemetery.

MARRIAGES

McLEOD-PHILLIPS.—At Murray River, P. E. I., on Nov. 24th, 1913, by Rev. Ewen MacDonnell, Matthew McLeod of Murray River to Emma Florence Phillips of White Sands.

ACORN-McNEILL.—At Charlottetown, P. E. I., on Dec. 3rd, 1913, by Rev. Ewen MacDonnell, Perry F. Acorn of Millville to Minnie Ina McNeill daughter of Daniel McNeill, Village Green.

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DIARY OF EVENTS

TO DAY.

City Magistrate's Court, 9 a. m.
Fruit Show, Agricultural Hall, 10 a. m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1913.

COST OF LIVING

By a curious coincidence the controllers of Montreal, Toronto, and Winnipeg, passed resolutions on Friday afternoon requesting the Dominion Government to appoint a commission to investigate the conditions in their respective cities regarding the high cost of living. Every city and town in Canada could just as well pass similar resolutions, for each and all of them are affected by the same disease. The cost of living has increased by leaps and bounds, while the salary and wage earnings have remained stationary. It has been difficult for most householders to make ends meet, for the rise in the price of necessities has meant a deficit in the people's weekly or monthly budget.

How to account for this sudden rise is a question that requires consideration. It is being discussed on the platform and in the newspapers but unfortunately political bias has been introduced with the result that it threatens to become a party question, whereas, it is essentially one of economics.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, at Hamilton the other night, laid the blame for the increase on the Customs Tariff. But facts do not tend to bear this out. For instance, the total duties on food-stuffs last year amounted to slightly over \$10,000,000.

What were these foodstuffs? The principal item was sugar, on which \$4,000,000 was paid. But that was not on the raw material only, but on refined sugars and all substances and manufactured articles containing sugar. Taking it for the full amount, it indicates that the duty on sugar and sweet meats costs about 50c per head of the population.

The other items embraced in the category of food stuffs are fruits and nuts, vegetables (canned and fresh), meats and poultry, eggs, fish, butter, prepared cereal foods, bread-stuffs, lard, cocoa and cocoa preparations, mustard. Now, with the possible exception of mustard, cocoa and sugar, all the other items can as easily and as cheaply be produced in Canada as they can be imported. No reduction in the tariff of any of these would appreciably affect the cost of living.

We have to look elsewhere for an explanation, and probably that of Professor Stephen Leacock is just as satisfactory as any. While monopolies to a considerable extent and tariffs to a small extent might be responsible for the cost of the necessities of life, the real factor of the high cost of living of the present day is the increasing quantity of the available gold, and the corresponding fact that more of it is needed for the purchase of these necessities. No commission is necessary to elicit this, but a commission might have the effect of drawing general public attention to the fact.

The abounding prosperity of certain classes in our own community has sent up the cost of living to the detriment of all those with fixed incomes. The prosperity of the farmer, who is benefiting so considerably by the export of his produce, has meant corresponding hardship for the city and town dwellers. Egg circles, for instance, have been so successful and have been so largely taken advantage of by our farmers that poultry farming now finds its reason for existence almost exclusively in the export trade. Eggs at the present time are a luxury denied the average consumer in the city. Similarly with butcher meat, cereals, and roots. The price has soared for the benefit of the farmer, whose good fortune we all appreciate, for he has been long in coming into his own.

It is the general prosperity of Canada that has tended to this condition of affairs, and matters will be righted only when the wages and salaries of the average artisan, clerk and professional are increased to correspond with the available quantity of gold or wealth that is available for circulation in Canada. The cost of living is rising; the standard of living must increase correspondingly.

The price of eggs is going up and if you want to make poultry pay you should increase egg production by feeding them Royal Purple Poultry Specific. This is a preparation that increases egg yield wonderfully. Two sizes 50c and 25c a package. The McKinnon Drug Co., Corner Great George and Kent Sts. M.B.H. 1111.

S. P. U. D.

S.P.U.D. spells apud. It is intended to stand for "Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving," an organization formed, if we remember rightly, in one of the United States cities some two or three years ago and at the beginning of the festive Christmas season. Its history since has been somewhat obscure.

It is possible that the society was conceived in meanness, and at the instance of one or more small souls whose Christmas benefactions were a sort of tooth pulling ordeal to which they were compelled to submit annually at the dictate of custom and which could not be avoided by individuals without incurring the risk of being dubbed "mean"; as a member of a society pledged to do likewise it would be perfectly safe to refuse giving in any form.

It is possible also, and quite probable, that the society was organized for the honest and praiseworthy purpose of curbing a custom which has outgrown its original significance; which has become mercenary and is followed, not for the gift's sake nor for the sake of the one to whom it is given, but simply to yield enforced compliance to a custom, which has even descended, in some cases at least, to the level of ordinary trading when the intrinsic value of the gift received is measured in terms of that which has been given.

That uselessness in giving should be as sternly discountenanced as uselessness in anything else requires no demonstration, nor does it require to be demonstrated that the Christmas season witnesses an unconscionable amount of it, in the shape of useless gifts without reference to the needs of the recipients; extravagant gifts without regard to the purse of the giver; gifts to those who have no need of and no use for such, and gifts which are simply indiscriminate, meaningless, ill-fitting purchases secured for the sole purpose of discharging a disagreeable obligation.

Some gentle reader will shudder at this apparently cold blooded statement but, possibly, an inventory of possessions secured during former festive seasons—if still in existence—might carry conviction.

This reference is not intended as a wet blanket for Christmas giving. Christmas is emphatically the season of gifts, the season of good will; when friend remembers friend and when all differences are forgotten. "Sweet is the gift of friendship" and it is quite fitting that that sweetness should be expressed during the season of good cheer and good will. It is only when the gift is out of harmony, when it assumes the character of an obligation, when it becomes an exchange, that it is absurd, useless and ridiculous.

If behind the gift there is the sincerity of true friendship its intrinsic value will count for little; if beyond the means of the giver, even though prompted by sincere friendship, its value both as a token of friendship and as a mere gift will be vastly discounted; and if unaccompanied by sincere friendship it is worse than wasted.

During the Christmas season the spirit of charity should be abroad in the land. When gifts are to be made and when means are limited the poor and the unfortunate should not be forgotten. We can well afford to overlook those who have and to spare, and to whom an extra gift would mean but little. The child who never owned a real doll or a real toy, the poor who from year's end to year's end have not enjoyed a real dinner, the homeless and the lonely, these are the real objects of that charity which should find its most emphatic expression at the Christmas season.

NOTES

The letter of Mr. S. F. Hodgson in this issue directs attention to a threatened menace which should engage the serious thought not only of citizens but especially of the trustees of the P. E. Island Hospital and of the doctors who of all people should see to it that no unnecessary hindrance to the health or comfort of their patients is permitted. If there were no other place for the proposed Y and it were an absolute necessity there would even then be little justification for placing it where it would threaten the lives of patients. With other sites available that would be equally advantageous as far as the railway is concerned it would be nothing less than an outrage to place it on the proposed site, 125 yards from the beds of unfortunate sufferers in the hospital. The matter should be taken up at once by the trustees who have been entrusted with the management of the hospital and to whom the people have a right to look for protection for their sick. If there is any uncertainty about it, it should be settled now, not after the nuisance has become an immovable fixture.

PROHIBITION

Sir,—I desire to thank you for your editorial of this morning on prohibition; it has the right ring. The trouble is not with the law, which the Government has improved in accordance with the wishes of the temperance people, and of the great majority of the community, but with the enforcement of the law. But this is by no means singular. The late Government passed an act for the destruction of noxious weeds, an act excellent in its purpose, dealing with a serious evil and one calling loudly for remedy, but that act has remained a dead letter on the statute book, while this fair Island is year by year becoming more and more overrun with weeds. Lax as has been the administration of the Prohibitory Law, the Weeds Act and other acts too, afford more striking examples.

Again, no license law we ever had was enforced so well, or half so well as the prohibitory law, lax as has been the official work thereunder. But these facts afford no legitimate excuse for the neglect and inefficiency that are all too obvious in regard to prohibition enforcement. The official prosecutors are at fault, here in Charlottetown and throughout the Province. They do not do their whole duty, showing no initiative, but waiting for some one else to make complaint and set the law in motion. Some official vendors are at fault, and unless they are greatly misrepresented in the current gossip of the day they are doing much more than their duty, to their own pecuniary advantage and the public harm. I ask the Prosecutor, the Marshal, the police if they do not know that liquor is unlawfully sold upon several of the cross streets between the police station and Water Street and between Queen and Pownall? This is in the very heart of the police district. If they do not know this, let them or either of them take a walk along these sections of streets on any market day and honestly report what they find.

It is time the Temperance Alliance made a strong move to stir up the authorities in this matter to a sense of their duty, and so prove that the law has not been dead though it has slept.

I am Sir, etc.,
TEMPERANCE.
December 3.

THAT CONTEMPLATED NUISANCE

Sir,—In my letter in the Guardian of the 18th Nov., last, respecting the nuisance about to be placed in front of the Prince Edward Island Hospital, I stated that "in a very short time the cruiser would be doing its worst within two or three hundred yards of the Hospital windows." I find that I was greatly in error respecting this distance. Today I measured it with a tape line and found the exact distance to be 125 yards and one foot from the window of the Hospital to the rails upon which the locomotives run, and therefore, hasten to correct my error as it is a serious matter to permit such a siding and such works to be placed within 125 yards of the windows of a public Hospital so crowded with patients.

Some are denying that it is the intention of the Council to place a cruiser as indicated. Let the railway authorities put in that siding and you will soon have the cruiser. That is my opinion and I find I am not alone in it. But if your readers will look at my letter of 14th Nov. they will see I have stated that the hauling of the ballast trains across the back of the crooked Y will be infinitely worse and more distressing than several stone crushers. On this point I have said: "Nothing ever emanated from the exhaust of any stone crusher that ever equalled a P.E.I.R. locomotive when in a tight place." I might have added that the crunching of the stones will be euphonious in comparison with it.

Please remember, reader, that it is proposed to inaugurate this charming city work within 125 yards of our Provincial Hospital windows when there are several other localities just as convenient! This Hospital is a Provincial institution and as such makes its appeal to the whole province for support. The country is more interested in this matter than the city and I would call upon them to carefully examine every statement I have made and give their verdict. Especially would I like to hear from some with whom I am acquainted and who have been compelled through illness, to pass many weary hours within this same Hospital. Please say if you desire more or less noise?

I am Sir, etc.,
S. F. Hodgson.
Dec. 2nd, 1913.

MORE IMMIGRANTS FROM JAPAN.

OTTAWA, December 3—Japanese immigration to Canada is showing considerable increase. During the fiscal year 1912-13 the Japanese entering Canada numbered 724, made up of 252 men, 424 women and 48 children. For the first six months of the present fiscal year the number was 571, and of this number 235 were men, 289 women and 47 children. About half the Japs entering Canada in each period were laborers and the others farmers, mechanics, clerks and miners. The several services of the Dominion government show revenue increases for the eight months of the 30th over the corresponding period of last year amounting to \$4,204,919.88. This increase comes under the following heads:—Customs, \$615,582.18; excise, \$526,450.51; post office \$675,000; public lands, railways and canals \$1,410,398.58; miscellaneous, \$977,487.61.

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

Mrs. Rogers, Government House, leaves this morning for Halifax where she will attend an important meeting of the Board of the W. F. M. S. Mrs. Rogers will return on Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. Powell of Bristol, Eng., niece of the late Lieutenant Governor Carrell, arrived by the S.S. Northumberland on Tuesday evening, after an unusually prolonged and stormy passage on the Allan liner Mongolian, which was reported lost with all hands when a week overdue, but which arrived, without incident at Halifax on Sunday last. Mrs. Powell is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. F. H. Carvell, Longworth Ave.

GERMAN OFFICER MAKES MATTERS WORSE

SEABORN, Alsace, Germany, Dec. 3.—Lt. Baron Von Forstner, who started the trouble between the troops and civilians here by referring scornfully to the citizens when he addressed the recruits of his company, aroused still further indignation against the army yesterday by cutting down a lame shoemaker with his sabre and wounding him dangerously in the head. The titled lieutenant was leading a half-company of the 99th infantry from the barracks to the country to go through the morning drill when a group of workmen recognized Von Forstner as he and his men were passing through a village. The workmen hooded the officer, who at once halted his company and then sent the armed soldiers in pursuit. The infantrymen succeeded in catching only one, a lame shoemaker, who resisted arrest. Von Forstner then came up and deliberately struck the shoemaker on the head with the edge of his sabre. The fresh incident has created such tension in the vicinity that serious bloodshed is feared unless the unpopular officer of the 99th regiment is transferred immediately.

\$1,000,000 LAW SUIT FOR GRAND TRUNK.

BOSTON, December 3—A suit for \$1,000,000 against the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada for alleged breach of contract in connection with the construction of a railway terminal at Toronto, was filed in the United States district Court yesterday by Westinghouse, Church, Kerr and Co., engineers and architects, of New York. The Grand Trunk has an office here. The complainants set forth that they lost \$1,000,000 through the railroad's alleged breach of the contract with the New York company to erect the Toronto terminal at a cost of \$3,000,000.

TARGET REFORM

"Highest possible" has been so frequent in the scoring at Bisey, and dissatisfaction with the unreality of ordinary target shooting have brought to the fore questions relating to target improvement and rifle practice generally. The kinematograph appears destined to solve the difficulty and make rifle practice enormously more interesting and valuable.

A demonstration of what can be done by the adaptation of the kinematograph to the purposes of a "life target" is in working order at Bisey and the results are certainly surprising. More than that, they are full of promise in the practice they afford at moving objects. And these movements are not clumsy in their imitation of nature. They are, rather, nature itself reproduced on the film.

These "life targets" reveal rifle men popping up from the trenches, taking aim at the enemy, firing and dropping again under cover. There is where the value of the cinema as an aid to marksmanship is seen so convincingly. You must spot your man before he disappears, and, having done so, your shot is recorded and by a process little short of magical in its effect, the act of firing stops the enemy in flight or taking cover and demonstrates with entire and un-failing accuracy where you have hit him or by how much you have missed him.

This is brought about by an arrangement of a telephone receiver fixed above the range, and by means of this the sound of the shot automatically stops the movement of the film. The "hit" is revealed by the bullet hole made in the screen, through which light shines from an arc lamp. The screen itself is of paper, on to which the photograph is projected and the movement of the figures, though not quite as sharp as the shimmer that puzzles marksmen in the open, has its own difficulty in the well-known flicker of the cinema.

Among the targets thus projected for marksmen to try their skill upon are motor cyclists at top speed coming straight down out of the distance and whirling round corners out of sight, or vice versa. These are intended to show the possible uses and risks of the motor-cycle in actual warfare.

Presently we are transported to a forest in the heart of Russia, and there we see Old Grizzly in his habit as he lives. He emerges from a clump of pine trees, trundling along slowly from side to side and faces the hidden marksman, who finds he has fired over his head or under his body as the case may be. For the microphone receiver is a relentless chronicler, a tell-tale of the worst description. Every shot is faithfully recorded. Not one is missed, good, bad or indifferent.

Whether or not the military authorities will realize the practical advantage that is inevitable from the use of "life targets" and their immensely greater value as compared with all other mechanical devices for training marksmen remains to be seen.

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