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SET A GOOD PACE

The late Railway Board under the chairmanship of Mr. D. B. Hanna set a pace in railway management which, if followed up by their successors, will carry the Canadian National Railways out of debt within measurable time. From January 1, 1922 to December 1, the working expenses of the road were reduced by $13,394,898, and the net earnings for the eleven months, $7,459,390, greater than for the corresponding period last year.

As the old Board was discharged "in the interests of the country" and a new Board substituted for a similar cause we may look for pretty big things during the present year.

"PREDICTING" A SURPLUS

The Patriot informs us that "it is rather early in the season to predict either a surplus or a deficit." Prediction is unnecessary. The financial year closed on December 31. The government had its estimates of expenditures and revenue and must know whether it kept within them or exceeded them. The monthly returns of the various departments must show that. No extraordinary expenditure has been undertaken in the past financial year, and the question now is by how much has the Government's estimated surplus been exceeded? The taxes have been vigorously collected and the revenue law enforced with vigor, except when a particularly energetic representative like Mr. Creelman MacArthur intervenes, so the money has presumably reached the government coffers, and if it has been allocated to the purposes merely for which the taxation was imposed then there must be a surplus and no "predictions" necessary.

$5,000 PRIZE TREATISE

We are in receipt of Barnjums $5,000 prize treatise on the spruce bud worm, bark bettle and borers by O. Schierbeck, F. E. This treatise is timely and valuable, pronounced by competent authorities the best ever written on insect control and general forest management. Mr. Barnjum has spent many thousands of dollars in awards to Forest Rangers, in publishing information and in many other ways in an effort not only to save our remaining forests but to prevent loss of life and property such as occurred a few months ago in Northern Ontario, because of dangerous proximity of towns and villages to large forests.

Prevention of forest fires, precautionary methods of treating insect pests and sane methods of guarding our forests are treated in this booklet which should be in the hands of every farmer and indeed of every resident in city or country.

It is a well known fact that for several years past the balsam trees not only of this province but of our sister maritime provinces and Quebec have suffered serious injury and loss because of insect and fungous pests. In this province many groves of once beautiful spruces and firs have been browned and in many cases, completely destroyed through causes not generally enquired into and therefore unknown. This booklet, beautifully illustrated, throws much valuable light on these causes and, if carefully studied and its suggestions acted upon, will do much to preserve the few groves of balsams still standing in our province. The booklet is published for free distribution and will be forwarded to any address on application to Frank J. D. Barnjum, New Birks Building, Montreal.

UNPARLIAMENTARY

A lady alderman (we have not yet adopted the word aldermoman) in Winnipeg during a session of the City Council accused the Mayor of speaking falsely and refused to accept his word and withdraw her statement. Even when confronted by the rules of the council she would not accept them and left the council rather than give in.

Of course it was an unfortunate incident, occurring as it did almost on the threshold of women's entry into politics but it carries its lesson. Parliamentary rules must not be violated by men or women. If a woman is permitted to hurl the epithet "liar" across the floor of the council or the legislature the male members would naturally claim the same privilege and pandemonium would ensue. It was to prevent disorder and to maintain the dignity of deliberative and legislative bodies that the rule was adopted that a member's word must be accepted whether he is lying or not.

Probably one of the most difficult lessons our lady politicians will have to learn on entering the political realm is to pretend they believe a man when they know he is lying. This is the fundamental principle in the parliamentary rule that the word of a member must be accepted on the floor of the House. Everywhere else he is as other men; he may lie and be called a liar. Within the sacred precincts of parliament or the legislature he may lie with the fluency of a Demosthenes and his fellow members must look as if they believe him.

It will be difficult for our lady friends to square their respect for truth with this usage. The Winnipeg lady fell before it and forfeited her seat, temporarily at least. No doubt in the course of a few generations they may come to it as the men have done. In the meantime the experience of the Winnipeg lady stands as a warning.

AN EXCELLENT NUMBER

The Christmas number of the Black Fox Magazine is an excellent one and contains much valuable information for ranchmen as well as interesting matter for the general public. It deals at considerable length with the fox show at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, publishing the full prize list. Incidentally this prize list is a splendid advertisement for Prince Edward Island foxes, the great majority of the prizes having been captured by Island ranches.

THE SIX- HOUR DAY FALLACY

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., was discussing the proposed six-hour day. He made the just criticism that such a restriction of production would cost the workers dear. He says:

In industry the attitude towards shorter hours is the result of a gross misapprehension. The worker thinks that the fewer hours he works the more work there will be for himself and for others. He does not stop to think that because of such short hours, he is increasing the cost of his own clothing and the other necessities of life.

EDITIRIAL NOTE

Next New Year's Day is a far off target to aim at—but each day will make its own progress towards or away from the mark. A little deflection day by day will land us wide of the mark a year hence. Let us keep straight from the start.

Notes By The Way

The provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, have been hitherto receiving from the Dominion in addition to the subsidies paid to the other provinces on population, etc, a further subsidy in lieu of the public lands within their boundaries, the said lands being retained and administered by the Dominion Government. The three provinces now wish to get possession of the lands in question and also to retain the subsidies paid them in lieu of lands. They want the lands and also the money now paid them for having no lands.

Strange as this may appear, the premiers of the three provinces recently appeared in Ottawa and discussed the matter with the Dominion Premier. Hon. Mr. Dunning, Premier of Saskatchewan, since his return from Ottawa has given out a statement from which we learn that no settlement was reached at the conference, but "a better understanding of the nature of the problem" was gained. What is of special interest is what Premier Dunning has to say of his own attitude and that of his government toward the lands question.

It would appear that the administration of the lands in question has not been a source of revenue to the Dominion, but of a yearly deficit, which seems strange in view of the great alleged value of these prairie lands. It is also implied that the Dominion has offered as a compromise that the lands be given to the provinces and the provinces to still receive their land subsidies for three years to come. But Premier Dunning says no. He goes on to say:—

"I feel sure that the time is not far distant when Eastern Canada will realise that the administration of the resources of this province is a heavy financial burden to the Dominion and will, therefore, no longer object to the transfer of the resources and the continuance of the present subsidy as payment for those resources which have already been alienated. These terms are the best from the Dominion point of view the province can possibly consider at the present time."

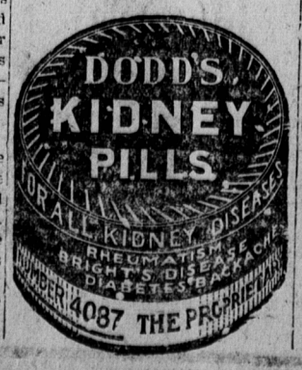
"We have added emphasis to these lines in view of their importance.

Here in Prince Edward Island we have a deep interest in this matter, because these prairie lands form the bases of our just claims for compensation if and when these lands are transferred to the Prairie Provinces. We in common with the other provinces east of the Great Lakes paid our proportion of the cost of purchasing these lands from the Hudson Bay Company and of the cost of surveying them, of building railways to open them up and of peopling them with immigrants and other settlers—an enormous total.

These claims, estimated at $4,000,000, were dangled before our electors at the election of 1919 by Premier Bell as a valid asset, to be realised at such happy time as we should have two Liberal governments in line here and at Ottawa. We have the two governments in line today, but what of our claims? We have heard little about them for three years past. We believe that Premier Bell wrote a letter to Ottawa about them and let it go at that. Were our claims pressed home? Were they even formulated and presented? Have they been abandoned? We do not know. Surely it is high time we did know something more about those four million dollars and our chances of getting payment.

The western premiers have been active and energetic. They at least have not slept upon their rights. Premier Mackenzie King has shown a disposition toward compromise. He wants to conciliate the Progressives of the West. Already they have got reduced freight rates that are denied to Eastern Canada and valued by one of their number at thirty million dollars for the year 1922 and still going on. Now apparently he has offered them the public lands and also to continue their land subsidies for three years. Premier Dunning says he won't accept this—must have something better—believes the Eastern Provinces will consent!

Ontario and Quebec with the hundreds of thousands of square miles given them by enlarged boundaries will no doubt consent. Progressives and Liberals of the central and western provinces will easily consent. But what about the starved Maritimes? Here we have three Liberal governments in line with Ottawa, apparently asleep, in a state of coma, while our rights are being bartered away. They sleep on while our just claims are being reduced by those in high authority to the value of a German mark! Surely it is Time For A Change!



The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by its correspondents.

"That Street Fight"

In regard to that street fight which occurred on Queen Street on Dec. 22nd, I see by your paper of 27th ult that Officer Walker allows he hit me as I was in the act of leaping upon Officer McInnis. The night of the fight he admitted he hit me on Officer McInnis' back. Why the two statements? If I was violating the law as he alleges I was, why did he not arrest me? It would look more human than striking me on the head with his billy from behind my back. Did he take the necessary precaution that any officer of the law should take to safe-guard and protect the public. As far as the charge he makes that I was interfering with Officer McInnis I will leave that to any one who was present. They were all strangers to me, but were ready and willing to assist me in any thing I undertook for fair play and expressed themselves very bitterly against such uncalled for brutality. Is there any sufficient reason why such brutality should be tolerated. There are some questions I would like the City Fathers to ponder over and then benefit by the advice the lawyer gave Peter Bernard in our old school reader "Never put off until to-morrow what you should do to-day."

I am, Sir, etc,
L. HERON,
Johnston River.

For Archie's Sake

Sir,—Some years ago the writer then on a temperance mission, was the guest for an evening in a hospitable Queen's County farm home. The father of the family was not an abstainer while the comfortable surroundings surely indicated that he was not by any means an excessive drinker. On this occasion he had imbibed enough to make him ripe for an argument against these temperance fanatics, especially with so fit a subject as your humble servant so close at hand, and so, in army parlance he opened fire.

In the room there was the mother, plying her knitting needles, one of those motherly, lady-like women of the kind that adorn so many of our country homes; two daughters, with the roses of rural health and beauty blooming upon their cheeks and busy in preparing the evening meal, a son of handsome face and splendid physique, about eighteen years of age, his appetite freshened and sharpened by the exercise of his evening chores, just finished. These three children were all members of the temperance society, whose guest I was. To argue with this man, in his own home and before wife and children, and to do so with tact, was somewhat of a puzzling task, and the milder my answers were the more persistent he became. The good wife however, took in the situation and came to my rescue. She knew her man better than I did, and with a marvelous but effective simplicity, brought the debate to a close, by this pointed question,—"What would you do John, if Archie came home drunk?"

The question struck him like a bolt from the blue and almost springing from his seat he answered "I'd shoot the man that gave him the liquor!"

I cannot declare that there are "thousands" of men like this in our Island homes for I believe that the great mass of our people from father to child are in the temperate lists, but there are some, perhaps only a few, just like this man. To these I would repeat that good mother's question— "What would you do if Archie, or Billie or Tommy came home to you stupidly drunk? Or what would you do if the daughter who left her home in buoyant health and radiant hope should come back with whitened countenance, emaciated form and tear stained eyes, to tell you that the young husband who had pledged to love and protect her had come home in a drunken craze and driven her with bruises from her home?"

On the 22nd of this month you will be given an opportunity to say by the cross on your ballot, that, as far as imports of liquors into this province has an influence in debauching your sons or your daughter's husbands, you will have none of it. It is your sacred duty, and even though you inherit the taste for spirits from the rum days of the past, you can shunt off this temptation from your boys and give them a chance to prosper and make good in the world. As you love and hope for the best future of these your dear ones then vote "yes", and above all DON'T BE A STAY AT HOME, when their fate is in the balance.

I am, Sir, etc,
PROHIBITIONIST.

Daily Selections For Guardian Readers

From the W. S. Louson collection

REFINING FIRE

What, what is tried in the fires of God
And what are the fires that try?
All, all is tried in the fires of God.
And many the fires that try.

And what is burnt in the fires of God?—
All but the fine, fine gold;
The treasures we offer for praise and pride
Or for pride and self withhold;

And when will the fires of God be lit?
They are burning every day;
They are trying us all, within and without,
The gold and the potter's clay.

But what is lost in the fires of God?
Nothing that is not dross;
No tiniest grain of the golden sands
Or wood of the true, true Cross.

No smallest seed of the lovliest deed
Of faith and hope and love,
The precious things that abide earth's fires,
And forever abide, above.

Yea, nought is lost in the fires of God,
That is not waste or dross—
That we would not choose, could not see to lose,
And say, this was gain not loss.

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