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THE SILVER FOX SHOW

The first live silver fox show to be held in Prince Edward Island, which will open here on October 29, will doubtless attract much attention from fox men throughout the continent.

When it is considered that the annual loss of insurable property by fire in Canada exceeds \$30,000,000, and that more than 300 people lose their lives every year through the same cause, the reason for holding a Fire Prevention Week becomes abundantly apparent.

EXCURSION RATES

A good suggestion comes from the London (Ont.) Advertiser, namely, that special excursion rates from time to time be put into force from the Central Provinces to the Atlantic Provinces.

"We in Ontario especially ought not to forget that the Maritime Provinces had a vigorous British settlement and a political constitution before the conquest of Quebec, when Upper Canada was only a French outpost, and was inhabited almost exclusively by Indians.

FIGHTING POTATO BLIGHT

Of particular interest to our farmers is the latest bulletin issued by the Dominion Experimental Farms, Department of Agriculture, on the subject of Late Blight and Rot of Potatoes.

The disease, for the control of which full instructions are given by Mr. Hurst, is known as the oldest potato malady. It attacks the wild forms in South America, the native home of the potato.

A NECESSARY MOVEMENT

Canadian Fire Prevention Week will be held this year from October 8 to 12. Citizens are enjoined and expected to inspect their dwellings and surroundings and to remove all conditions likely to cause or contribute to the spread of fires.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Ramsay MacDonald is rated "the worst-dressed premier in years." But that does not apply to what he wears above the ears and inside.

Weather prophets are now predicting a cold winter because of the somewhat unusual coolness of the past few days.

Two Octogenarians from Prince Edward Island on a visit to a Prince Edward Island centenary in British Columbia is not a bad advertisement for the longevity of the people of the Garden of the Gulf.

Notes By The Way

Canada's reindeer industry takes a forward stride this year with the importation of a herd of 3,000 of these animals into northern British Columbia from Alaska.

The reindeer is the only member of the deer family that has been domesticated, but it is believed that both the moose and caribou can be trained to harness while young.

The good news comes from the prairies that although this year's harvest measures only about two-thirds as many bushels as last year's crop, a much larger part of it grades as number one and number two than in former years.

Three years ago there were only four grain elevators in Alberta belonging to the Alberta Wheat Pool. Now there are 437, representing an investment of \$6,000,000.

THE RIGHT TO WALK

A Pedestrians' Defence Society is to be launched in England. It is not premature, says the London Observer, when a year's total of killed and wounded upon the roads has reached 170,000.

LET GEORGE DO IT

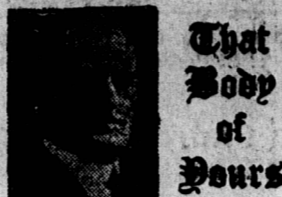
The Halifax Chronicle still insists that the price of gasoline is too high in Nova Scotia, and that the Provincial Government is the only body to whom the people can look for redress.

The sliced loaf of bread, cut in 24 pieces of equal thickness and wrapped in waxed waterproof paper, is said to have become popular in the United States and has been introduced in Montreal recently.

"An unsettled Cabinet crisis, like a smouldering fire in a building, is liable to burst into flame at most any time with disastrous results.

Charlottetown has had many distinguished visitors and visiting groups during the past few months, but "wait until you see us next year," as the late J. Israel Tarte was wont to say.

Already the leaves are turning brown at first, soon to assume their more brilliant colors and then to fall. Where is so rich, varied and vast a panorama as the forests of Canada present from coast to coast in the fall season?



That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D. HOW WE ESCAPE ILLNESS

A number of years ago in examining bodies after death, traces of tuberculosis were discovered in cases which had died of some other ailment.

So often was this found that the statement was made that at least half the people who died had tuberculosis at some time in their life.

Now we are told that practically everybody has traces of tuberculosis in some part of the body; not always in the lungs of course.

Now why do the majority of people escape the effects of tuberculosis if it exists within their bodies?

Because the cells of the body are able to resist most organisms that is if these cells are in good condition and doing their work properly.

And it is only when these cells of the body are interfered with in some manner, that tuberculosis or other ailments gain mastery.

Whatever that something is actually tires or poisons the normal cells so that they cannot keep well enough, or strong enough, to overcome these invading organisms and ailments thus get their start.

Breathing air that is too moist, or too dry and dusty, tires the lining cells of the bronchial tubes and lungs so that they cannot do their work properly, and bronchitis and even tuberculosis get their start.

Overwork, either mental or physical, can interfere with the proper functioning of the stomach, of digestion in the small intestine, and the removal of wastes from the large intestine.

As a matter of fact however it is not usually physical fatigue that takes the fight out of the cells, but the overwork put upon our digestive apparatus by overeating.

And poisons which take some of the fight out of normal cells come from infected teeth, tonsils, sinuses, and gall bladder.

This is why stomach and intestinal ulcers, rheumatism, pains in the joints and muscles, clear up after these conditions have been corrected.

That some individuals are more likely to be affected by tuberculosis, by pneumonia, by cancer or other ailments must of course be admitted.

These particular cells do not fight these ailments off as well as do the cells of other individuals.

Nevertheless the removal of poisons of infection, and the proper care of the body from the standpoint of food, sleep, and exercise, put the cells of everybody in the best possible condition to ward off ailments.



The Poet's Corner

THE SIGHT

My wife's no wise, and the neighbors say She shouldna get leave to gang her gait,

Seekin' by night, and roamin' by day, Early and late.

But I see nae hairn, for my Ailie's wise In things ayont our mortal ken,

She has the po'er o' the Seelie Eyes, And doon the Glen

She's seekin' aye for the fairy hill And our bairn that's gane this seven year past,

I haena the hert to cross her will And keep her fast.

Hoo can I tell her the bairnie's deld, And steek the door agin her flicht? There's nocht but ferlies in herheid, But—she has the Sight!

—Rhoda Spence

THE LAND WE LOVE

By FRANK LEIGH

A FAMOUS CANADIAN DUEL

Q. When and where was a famous Canadian duel fought?

A. A famous duel was fought on January 3, 1800 in Toronto (then York) in a grove now near the corner of Front and Berkeley Streets and between Major John Small, Clerk of the Executive Council, and John White, Attorney General, based, it is said on a derogatory remark about a lady friend. It ended fatally for White, but a jury acquitted Small of murder. The Foreman of the Jury was William Jarvis, whose son was to figure seventeen years later as a principal, and a successful one, in an equally celebrated duel.

Radio Monopoly

(Manitoba Free Press)

Canadian public opinion as reflected in the press largely favors the report of the Aird Commission which develops its recommendations from the announced policy of radio regarded as a public utility, and calls for the institution of a Canadian Radio Broadcasting Company owned by, and drawing its powers from, the Federal Government, and Governed by a commission made up of three members appointed by Ottawa and one from each province.

Editorial Comment favoring the proposal urges mainly the Canadian aspects, dwelling upon the possibilities of broadcasting as an instrument of education, making for Dominion-wide understanding and sympathy, and further upon the argument of public ownership of a public utility.

The few taking the adverse attitude stress private ownership and bring forward the usual arguments when this question is on the carpet. What such discussion overlooks is that radio in its very nature tends to become a monopoly.

There is the matter of expensive equipment, attractive programmes, and wave lengths. Already the United States, given over to the system of radio as a private enterprise, is seeing it develop into a monopoly in the hands of a few powerful privately controlled companies.

Canada must view its problem working from the premise that for purposes of radio this continent is a unit. Radio development in the United States, so far as high powered equipment and commercial organization are concerned, is much in the van.

The alternative, then, is not between private enterprise in Canada and Dominion Government monopoly, although that might be argued, but between big business monopoly control from across the line and Government monopoly here.

However, the impact of American influence, both commercial and educational—not necessarily all detrimental, but not conducive to building a Canadian nation—has been mitigated here by private company stations and by one provincially-owned station.

If the suggestions of the Aird Commission are implemented these smaller stations will go out of business. Generally, radio from coast to coast will come under Ottawa control. It is the implications of this situation that need to be gravely studied before any final decision is arrived at.

It would not be conducive to development of national unity if the C.R.B.C. were subjected to any political pressure that might be brought to bear on any party in power, at Ottawa. Neither should there be steps left untaken which would relive the apprehension that any display of sectionalism would tend to hamper the radio as a bona-fide public utility.

Radio is not only an instrument of entertainment, or of formal education or an advertising medium. It is one of the vehicles for the dissemination of opinion. It should be made very clear that no Government control should harry such discussion into "safe" channels.

Perhaps the best safeguard against such eventually will be the power retained by the individual province in the direction of the broadcasting from its station. The recommendation is for seven powerful stations, one in the Maritime Provinces, the other six in other provinces. The report reads in the clauses dealing with organization: "A provincial radio broadcasting director for each province who will have full control of the programme broadcast by the station or stations located within the boundaries of the province for which he is responsible—A provincial advisory council on radio-broadcasting for each province to act in an advisory capacity through provincial authority."

The representative on the board of the national company would be the provincial director. In the event of any province appointing a provincial commission, the provincial director should be the chairman of such commission."

It is evident from this that Sir John Aird and his associates were aware of the desirability of each province retaining some control. With the Federal Government paying the shot, it becomes a delicate matter to suggest that if it were made definite that each province called its own tune, the chances for harmony would be increased, but such is the case. And the certainty of provincial control with seven chances as to one of the freedom of the radio from unwarranted censorship would be increased if the question of the appointment of provincial director was distinctly understood to rest with the Provincial Government concerned. All the provinces have signified their willingness to enter into negotiations "with a view to the organization of the radio on the basis of public service." New Brunswick alone adding the observation

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