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THE LATE L. W. WATSON

Yesterday the grave closed over all that was mortal of Mr. Lawrence W. Watson, one of our best known and most highly esteemed citizens. The late Mr. Watson was a man of much more than ordinary intellectual calibre. He had, to begin with, the advantage of a university training at King's College, Windsor, where he was graduated B. A. and later two years in the University of Edinburgh where he began the study of medicine. The sudden death of his father, the late W. R. Watson, cut short his medical studies as he deemed it his duty to continue the business carried on by his father. To his colleague training he added by continuous study, specializing in nature study, particularly in botany in which and kindred subjects he was an authority and a willing source of information. He was a writer of considerable note and contributed many valuable and informative articles to the press of his native province and to many magazines. He was a gifted musician and for many years until laid aside by illness directed the musical service in St. Peter's Church. He composed the music of The Island Hymn written by the Island authoress, Lucy M. Montgomery, a hymn now known and sung throughout the dominion. A gentleman in every sense of the word, all who knew him were his friends, friends who profited socially and intellectually by his friendship. Of studious habits, a keen lover of nature his conversation and his contributions to the press were always of a high order and many of his writings have been given a place in the Provincial Archives where they will be preserved for future generations. To his widow, daughter and two sons The Guardian tenders sincere sympathy.

BARN RE-OPENING

Although it seemed to those who attended the great barn-opening last Wednesday on the farm of Messrs Milligan and Morrison at Northam, that everybody on the Island was present, it appears that, owing to the Old Home Week celebration at Charlottetown and a great picnic at Tignish on the same day that there were many who were not able to be there. At the urgent request of those and even of many who were present on that occasion and who want to do it again, Messrs. Milligan and Morrison have kindly consented to repeat the entertainment next Wednesday, July 22nd. The entertainment will be along similar lines to those followed last Wednesday with even better arrangements, if possible, founded on the first day's experiences. The decorations, the most elaborate perhaps ever shown on the Island, are left as they were and the programme will be repeated as before. The facilities for enjoyment offered by this immense barn are not surpassed in the Maritime Provinces. To view the structure alone, with all its elaborate equipment, is in itself an entertainment. Added to this, the assembling of the youth and beauty of the whole province, the immense dancing floor, the music, the spirit of the occasion the entertainment may be looked forward to as one of the biggest events in the history of the province. For such an entertainment as that of last Wednesday and that to be held next Wednesday the Milligan and Morrison farm offers unsurpassed facilities. There is a

modern cooking outfit consisting of two large steam jacket kettles for pot-roasting beef and making a large baking oven of 120 leaves capacity; 2000 pounds of beef can be roasted at once. A laboratory kitchen and pantry provide all the facilities necessary to prepare food for all the thousands who attend so that there need be no fear of hunger. Machinery and equipment for dishwashing, etc. makes the outfit complete to the last detail and, apart altogether from the entertainment feature, the buildings with all their modern equipment are well worth a visit to Northam.

In addition to the barn floor, which is 40 by 140 feet an open pavilion is provided for step dancing. Prizes will be awarded in all classes of dancing. Provision is also made in the large and deep concrete root cellar for any who may become over-hilarious, so that the best of order is assured during all the proceedings. The enterprise of Messrs Milligan and Morrison in building and equipping the best barn in the Maritime Provinces and one of which Prince Edward Island is justly proud, is deserving of every encouragement and we have no doubt the attendance next Wednesday will even exceed the record-breaking attendance of last week.

NIGHT

A supplement to Dr. J. H. Jowett's hymn, From Dawn to Evening tide:— "It is a balmy summer night. The winds are still. The stary heavens are glowing with celestial light. Telling the story of Thy good will; All things spell peace; I live in peace by faith. My faith in Eternal Life in Thee." —STRUAN.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Now, we'll hit the hay. New Brunswick comes next Monday, August 10 is the date of the election. The fixing of the date of the federal election is like fixing a date to go to the dentist. It is hoped that the good weather of Old Home Week will stay by us while we are haymaking.

The emigration, the falling population, the business depression can all be remedied by turning out the King Government at the earliest opportunity. No disease can be cured until the cause is removed. The King government is the cause, the remedy is to remove it.

An almost certain indication that the Mackenzie King government intends appealing to the country this fall is the announcement in last evening's Patriot that it intends starting today publishing political cartoons no doubt supplied from Ottawa headquarters.

St. Swinith's Day, July 15th was dry, indicating that it would be dry for 40 days. Yesterday we ushered in the New Moon, also dry and promising at least a dry week. Thus our haymakers are assured of good weather for their haying season—if nothing goes wrong with the prognostications.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The Gaieties and recreation of Old Home Week will give place to busy days on the farm for the next two weeks to come. Haying time has always been a time of activity and strenuous labor since the first settlement of the country, although the machinery of modern invention has greatly increased the speed and efficiency of the operation and transferred to the useful horse, most of the hard labor formerly performed by human hands. The sythe and hand-rake have practically disappeared from the fields. Horse power cuts the grass, leaving it evenly spread to dry in the sun, rakes it into windrows, lifts it to the rack of the hay wagon, hauls it to the barn and there lifts and swings it to the hay mow. One man and a boy with a team of horses can cut, cure and store in the barn as much hay as four times that number could harvest fifty years ago, and save the crop in better order, by utilizing only the few days. Saving the hay crop quickly with modern machinery also enables the work to be done when the grass has been matured is at its best and has not become over-ripe.

The hay crop is one of the most valuable of those grown on the farm. Hay is the staple food of horses, cattle and sheep during the long Canadian winter. Practically from the end of October to the middle of May—six and a half months out of twelve—the storehouse must supply the place of summer pasturage for the animals of the stock yard. And dearly all the hay grown in our Island Province is consumed within our own shores. It is only in the more productive seasons like the present that we can hope to have any considerable quantity of hay for export, because we have more live stock per square mile than any other Canadian Province.

Premier Veniot has named August 10th for the coming election in New Brunswick. Present indications point to a spirited and close contest, with the Opposition party no much the more hopeful of the work. It is pretty short notice but nobody will complain much of that. Elections interfere with business, and it is better to get the disturbance over and out of the way without needless delay.

In the line-up of candidates, as nominated the Opposition party is distinctly stronger and the Liberal party distinctly weaker in able and popular men than in the election of 1920. In St. John City the full quota of four Liberal members was then returned by small majorities and in St. John County, which returns two members, one Conservative and one Liberal were elected. Hon. Dr. Foster was then Premier and led the Liberal ticket in the city. He has declined re-nomination. This with other changes and the unpopularity of the Veniot Government has led to a fairly general conviction that the two St. John divisions will elect six Conservatives where but one was elected in 1920.

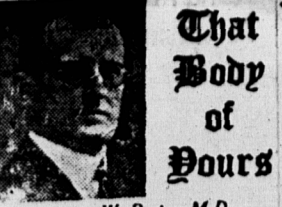
In the city of Moncton the Government has a strong candidate in Hon. C. W. Robinson, who was elected by 1,000 majority in 1920. He was appointed to the Senate and the Opposition easily captured the seat at a by-election, defeating Hon. Mr. Rand, the new Attorney General. Moncton as the business centre has a strong influence upon political affairs in Westmoreland county, which sends four members to the Legislature. At present all these support the Veniot Government and were elected by small majorities compared with that of Moncton. It will not be surprising if there is a complete overturn in Westmoreland on August 10th.

There are equally hopeful prospects in other sections of the Province. Apparently the best hopes of the Government are to hold on to power by a much reduced majority. But that was also the hope of the Armstrong Government in Nova Scotia, which was blasted by a crushing defeat. Meanwhile the conviction grows stronger from day to day that whatever may befall the Veniot Government no amount of salt can save the Ottawa Road.

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Character Reading

Do You Walk Gracefully? A firm, graceful walk with the head carried straight up from the shoulders, is the best walk of all. It shows a clever, honorable nature, one who will be brave and trustworthy, also very chivalrous and kind. A long, easy stride denotes generosity and a happy-go-lucky character, fond of fun and sympathetic to anyone in trouble. Men with this type of walk are usually charming lovers.



James W. Barton, M.D.

A REAL BENEFIT

It should not be necessary to talk about the advantages of massage or a rub down, as it is called in athletics. Anybody connected with athletics knows that a properly applied massage hurries along the circulation of the blood, and prevents from becoming fatigued. It is often asked about the virtues of the various liniments. They contain menthol, arnica, witchhazel, alcohol and laudanum, and so forth. Some famous trainers have had equally famous "rubs", and much of the wonderful success of their pupils, was attributed to this "rub" mixture that he used in rubbing them down. That men have run fast, football players shown wonderful recuperative powers without a massage or a rub, is of course true, but I have in mind an internationally known sprinter, one able to beat ten seconds for the hundred yards, who disdained to have a rub for some years. He was prevailed upon to take the rub for the sake of the example. Thereafter he was a firm exponent of the "rub" as he said he felt more resilient than at any time in his career. Further, he ran his distance in his "best" time, every race he entered.

Now as to the liniments themselves and their virtues, there is July this to say. If an athlete is tired, sore in his muscles and sore at heart, the liniment that has a little arnica or laudanum in it, will deaden the pain temporarily and thus the trainer can go right after the sore spots and massage, rub, or knead them, thus loosening them up and hurrying along the circulation, which means the removal of the broken down tissue, and the building up of new. The only other method that would loosen up things would be intelligence in some light form of exercise such as walking, swimming and so forth.

But a chap sore and tired is not going to take exercise where every step or every movement, means pain. Hence the value of your massage or rub down with the majority of athletes. If you do any unusual physical work, the materials manufactured in your muscles have just the same effect as a foreign body in the ear, or elsewhere. Hence the rubbing or massage gets everything moving away in the blood stream. A hot bath followed by a rub fits you for more work the next day. If you do any heavy work, two or three days before these waste products would get out of the system by means of the circulation of the blood.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

July 21, 1925 SURE GUIDANCE:—In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:6.

PRAYER:—Lord, we know not what a day may bring forth, but we believe in Thee and commit our way to Thee, assured that Thou knowest all the way, and will guide us.

THE PANSY

There's something in a pansy's face So touched with beauty and with grace So soft with lovely pity, I Can never heedless pass it by. The richer roses lure me on, With countless charms to look upon. They seem to say with scornful pride; "Why for such weaklings turn aside?"

"Why waste your time with such as they? We are the fashion of the day—Look, we are roses! Yet you stand And hold a pansy in your hand!" Oh, richer rose, with all your pride, Something to you has been denied; This humble pansy seems to be More like my own good friends and me.

I seem to know how hard it tries To come to favor in men's eyes, And in its beauty I can find Soft traces of a gentle mind.

'Tis like an old friend who has stayed Poor while his neighbours progress made. And though I know the roses, I For old time's sake won't pass it by.

Flowers are like men. The proud disdain Those in humbleness remain. Yet in the lowly pansy glows A soul as lovely as the rose.

A little girl saw a cat carrying her kitten by the nape of its neck. The "rich" woman was very angry. "You ain't fit to be a mother," she cried, scoldingly. "You ain't hardly fit to be a father!"

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 of correspondents.

THE COMING ELECTION.

Sir,—The atmosphere is charged with an electric current which intimates to us that an election is approaching. The leaders of our political forces are lining up their followers for a political war. It is curious to the ordinary observer that such a war is altogether unnecessary. If our leaders would bury their political aspirations and get down to solid business the great problems that are now facing the Canadian people would be solved. Our problems are now too complex that we require the afflicted brains of all our leaders to lead us out of the wilderness and into the promised land. We have had, and still have altogether too much playing of politics, in that every human effort, which does not play up to the ultimate well-being of the party in power, is submerged in order that the claim of a party may be strengthened. This is not statesmanship; this is not patriotism; this is the result of the high feeling that runs between parties, with no settled policy in sight except that they are opposed to the advocacy of their opponents' policy.

Canada is a young country with all the future before it. We are the heirs of all the ages and we should not be indifferent to the histories of past nations who build as we are building and who will surely fall if we do not take wisdom from their experience and exercise for our own welfare. The problems which Canadian faces could easily be handled if the leaders of all our parties would sit in session and consider them thoroughly from their standpoint of necessity to Canada and from the standpoint of their obligations to us who placed them there in charge of our national affairs.

The question naturally arises, when we view the bickering that takes place over some important question, do the men leading our parties wish to settle questions to Canada's best advantage, or do they wish them held in abeyance so that they can make political capital of them? The latter seems to me the solution of the matter. The settlement of a great question touching our welfare is held up to us who placed them there in charge of our national affairs.

I believe that the leader of the official opposition should be permitted the right to sit in at all cabinet meetings so that his matured views might be given on matters touching our welfare. I do not see why a trusted man, such as the leader of any of our parties is, should be excluded from a consultation on what may be vital to us, whom the honor of the nation and brain may be of great benefit.

We do not elect these men for the purpose of fighting one another; we elect them for the purpose of giving us of their best in intelligent legislation. Choosing an influence that will be for the betterment of the country as a whole, and we expect that they will not indulge in parochial politics. In my opinion every legislator, that is physically able, whom the honor of an election to the House of Commons has been given, should be compelled, under a penalty law, to travel throughout the Dominion so that when a matter comes up in the House he would know something of the local influences touching it. A man representing any constituency in Canada should have knowledge touching any constituency, no matter where situated within this Dominion. Until that state of efficiency is reached, always the work will be bickering and delays in legislation.

I do not say that we should again form a coalition government, but I do say that no matter which party heads the poll at the coming election, the leader of the losing opposition should have a seat at the council board of the Government.

I am, Sir, etc., JAMES A. MACKINNON, Coleman, P.E.I.

CLEAN UP.

Sir,—Your editorial, 3rd instant, "Clean Up." I would say so, Charlottetown could be made with little effort and not much expense the most healthy spot in the Maritime Provinces. Of course, this would injure certain business and would need a strong arm to resist the opposition to a real active propaganda to eliminate and remove the various causes which today are a menace to the health of each individual in the city who comes in contact with the odors, the dirty dust, and the infected food produced by several unhealthy spots in the city, which are the breeding places for all manner of disease germs, carried by wind and other vehicles to the homes of almost every residence in the city. It is a most trying and unpopular subject to write about; it is a more serious matter to endure, and since I am so far removed from the environment which I had the misfortune to occupy two months last summer, and never expect to suffer again for so long a period, I may be pardoned for these remarks made for no other purpose than in the interests of our common humanity, whose greatest suffering is from disease, which in most cases is preventable. The East End you refer to in the West End Government Pond, should be filled and drained at once. The abattoirs should be connected with the sewerage, the milk factories also, or otherwise be given short notice to get out of the city. Of course, private interests will oppose this, the spending of a few hundred dollars is of more concern than health to the community. Last summer Government Pond that had been partly excavated and some of the contents piled up along the bank, and from the East End going across the Hill-born Bridge, where you speak of dead animals deposited, not mentioning the sewerage from a milk factory, coursing along the railway track on the surface to the harbor. We and I am sure these odors were responsible for my illness at Charlottetown during most of my two months' residence there, and of which I did not get rid until I was beyond Wilmington. It is a fact well authenticated by those who know, that every one who experiences such odors, are more or less affected thereby. It does not follow that one must be so ill as requiring medical aid. Some may do, but all have got to fight bacteria, and in the fight their physical fitness is impaired, more or less. Without these disabilities there is strength and fitness which makes for good living and activity in all the walks of life. I know the people of Charlottetown, year P. E. I. in general, and I am not anxious to provoke their feelings or injure their happiness, but their sanitary conditions is my object, and is in the interests of the people generally, and to urge that you never let us all won have caused action to accomplish the "Clean Up!" I am, Sir, etc.,

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