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An Irishman was looking into the window of a drug-store. He noticed that all the drugs and medicines were being sold at a reduced price. "Sure," said he as he turned away, "I've just my back, I am never ill when I ought to be."

Notes By The Way

Old age pensions for Canadians has occupied the attention of a committee of the House of Commons for some time past. It is understood that the committee will report in favor of a pension plan in which the federal and provincial governments will jointly contribute and recommending that negotiations be entered upon during the recess between the federal and provincial authorities to that end.

The plan as so far outlined would provide pensions for persons of 70 years old and upward who are of British birth and who have been residents in Canada during the past twenty years. The maximum pension would be \$20 per month to those without income and a less amount to those having income insufficient for their support. A number of the leading civilized nations have established old age pensions, among them being the United Kingdom, Germany, Australia and other lands. It is stated that the principle has met with general approval wherever it has been applied in practice. In several countries such pensions are granted to persons of 65 years and upwards.

The inability to agree upon the boundaries of constituencies in the redistribution bill has led to a rumor that the Government may attempt to hold it over until next session of Parliament. The hot weather has begun at Ottawa, members are tired and want to go home. And as there cannot well be another general election until the redistribution is made, many members who desire to lengthen out their legislative term favor postponing the bill for that reason, fearing that they may not be re-elected.

The Conservative Opposition will strenuously oppose any further postponement of the bill. They take the ground that any fair and reasonable plan of redistribution could be quickly passed by agreement and that any delay or difficulty arises from the Liberal-Progressive majority who insist upon the adoption of a gerrymandering scheme. A recent Ottawa despatch affirms that the Opposition are resolved to force a continuation of the session until the redistribution bill has been passed. As to that, we shall soon see what we shall see. A definite decision must be made within this week.

Mr. Porter, M. P., for West Hastings, Ont., who made charges against Hon. James Murdock, the Minister of Labor, has now resigned his seat in the House of Commons. It is the penalty he pays for making charges against another member of the House, which charges both the elections committee and the House declare that he has failed to establish. Had his charges been found to be established against Mr. Murdock the latter would have been in honor bound to resign. The incident is a very interesting one, the more so as it is new, the first of its kind to occur in the federal Parliament since Confederation.

Mr. Porter took heavy chances in making the charges he did. He knew that the matter would first be investigated and reported upon by the committee on privileges and elections, on which committee the supporters of the government had an overwhelming majority. He knew that it would later come before the House where the Liberal-Progressive majority is proportionately as large. Only a strong sense of public duty could have prompted Mr. Porter to risk his political future as he did in this case. Now he makes his appeal to the electors of West Hastings as the court of last resort. The bye-election there will be one of great interest throughout the Dominion.

Mr. Porter, 65 years of age is a lawyer, a Conservative, a Presbyterian, who lives in Belleville and has represented West Hastings since 1901. Hon. Mr. Murdock is a railroad man, a Liberal, a Methodist, 53 years old, who lives in Toronto and was first elected in 1921 to represent Kent County, Ont. These are the principals in the controversy on which the coming bye-election will turn. The Government will fix the date of the contest. Murdock is secure in his seat and can look on Porter will fight for the seat he has resigned. Should he lose, he will be down and out. If he wins, his victory will count for something more than the coat of party whitewash which Murdock received in the House.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS The total imports into Canada for the year ending May 31, 1924 were valued at \$873,367,752. Our exports for the same period were valued at \$1,069,715,880. In May 1924 we imported from Great Britain \$12,922,135 and from the United States during the same period \$46,128,755. Our exports to Great Britain that month were \$48,287,428 and to the United States \$36,408,505.

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Editor does not necessarily endorse the opinions.

SAVE THE LAWN

Sir—Apropos of Carnival week and the probability of having distinguished visitors to entertain during the summer months in our attractive city, our newspapers, tourists Association, and other prominent bodies have reminded the citizens of the advisability of producing a good effect on the minds of these visitors, as far as possible. This means, of course, some work and expense on the part of householders in tree planting, lawn making and trimming. But of what use is all this trouble if horses and cattle are allowed to wander about the streets and tramp over newly made lawns and strip the leaves and bark off the ornamental trees. This is not a false apprehension, but actual occurrences that are happening in different parts of the town, especially in the north west localities where newly made lawns have this summer been already ruined by the tramping of stray horses without being in charge of their owners. This is a matter that should have the immediate attention of the city authorities and a fine should be enforced on those who will allow their cattle and horses to roam at large. "A word to the wise" etc. etc. I am, Sir, etc. CITIZEN

USE OF FIREWORKS

Sir—A citizen of Charlottetown who is a merchant and interested in the sale of Fire Works has requested me to publish the requirements of the law regarding Fire Works. The following is from the By-Laws of the City of Charlottetown as Consolidated and Amended 1906: CAP. II A By Law regulating the Fire Department. Sec. 18—"No person shall fire or set off any fire ball, squib, fire cracker or other fire works within the said City, unless authorized so to do by the Mayor or Council of said City."

Sec. 24—"Any persons or person guilty of an infraction of any of the provisions of this By Law shall, upon conviction in the City Police Court, or the Stipendiary Magistrate, on the oath or affirmation of any credible witness, forfeit and pay at the discretion of the said Magistrate a penalty not exceeding the sum of thirty dollars for each offence, exclusive of costs and, in default of the payment thereof, forthwith to be imprisoned and to be committed to the common jail of the said city, for any period not exceeding one month, unless the said penalty and cost be sooner paid."

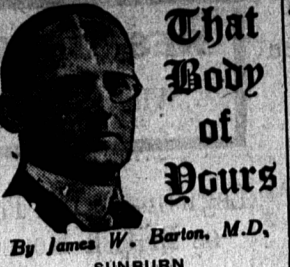
The use of Fire Works except for public display by experienced grown persons of fire work is dangerous to life and property and has not been permitted in this city for years. It would be a great mistake to start the indiscriminate sale or use of Fire Works in our City and anything that can be done by this office to prevent same will certainly be done. I am, Sir, etc. E. H. BEER, Provincial Fire Marshal.

THE N. T. CHANNEL PROJECT

Sir,—I see much in late papers re the "Dover Tunnel to Calais"; it seems to be the best idea. Jealousy has retarded the project for a long time; if nations used their means and money for improvements instead of killing and war and war material, folks would be better off. Some say war is unavoidable. If that be so, war of defence is necessary. It brought to my mind the many letters from Hon. Donald Ferguson of Happy Memory re the Northumberland Straits. At the time mentioned it was supposed a feasible project and I am of the opinion now it is possible and worthy of consideration. The Straits of Dover is twenty-one miles in length. The northumberland Straits is only nine miles. Of course to the demand for this tunnel the Western Provinces would say "cannot spare the money", but one may ask "who spared you the money to get you there?" There is money enough in the Maritime Provinces to build the tunnel and a private company could spare the few millions necessary. Some might say the "aeroplane is better" if that be so why not get it; but a tunnel is safer and more reliable; it would pay the best of any project in sight. Let us have a survey and no hogus. I am Sir, etc. A. Kings County

To Release Political Prisoners

(Canadian Press) DUBLIN, June 29.—Statements made indicated the early release of the remaining political prisoners of Free State Government. President Cosgrave said that the Government would be advised to remit unexpired terms of sentenced prisoners except those guilty of ordinary crimes. Replying to Deputy McGrath, President Cosgrave said he could not be proposed to release Austin Stack and other Republicans leaders before the adjournment of Dail next month.



By James W. Barton, M.D. SUNBURN

You will be getting away on a vacation when the midsummer months arrive, and one of your worries may be the matter of sunburn. As you know the acquiring of a coat of tan is considered a part of the vacation, and you might feel yourself cheated if you didn't get your share. Yet you have friends who go out into the sun and actually invite a real sunburn and are sorely reddened. Now why is this?

Well, there are rays in the sun that actually cause a chemical action on the skin, just as do the X Rays, or the rays from radium. It is these same rays which reflected off the snow in Arctic regions that cause snow blindness, and the inflammation of the eyes in the tropics from the glare of the sun. After the rays have acted upon the skin the parts exposed become very red, hot, and often swollen. A severe blistering often occurs, and the smarting is most intense. When this fades away, it does in a short time, the skin peels off, and the skin becomes darker. Now this darkening of the skin is Nature's way of preventing further burning.

One who is exposed to the sun's rays all the time acquires a coat of "tan" and thereafter is not bothered with sunburn.

You get a coat of tan in the summer which gradually wears away during the winter and springs, and so you are ready for a fresh burning the following summer. It would appear then, that at some previous time your friend or his ancestors must have acquired such a "tanning" that the skin has developed so much coloring matter that the sun does not have much effect upon it. If you burn easily it might be well to wear a good wide hat, or to cover your face, hands and arms with an ointment with some coloring matter in it, such as iodine. The application of tinted face powders is of help.

If you are already burned and want relief there is ready nothing better than the old fashioned baking soda. A few handfuls thrown into a basin of water and the plunging of the face and arms therein, is very soothing and helps the healing materially. It is unfortunate that you and I must live our lives so much indoors. The real value of the sun's rays not only to the skin itself but to the entire body has been actually proven. The oxygen in the blood increased about twenty five per cent, in one who was removed from a dark room to the sunlight.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

IN HER GARDEN Her garden blooms as it was wont to bloom. These many springs. And still, amid the larkspur and the broom. A wood-bird sings. But she will never pass this way again. When spring tides stir. To comfort through the sunshine or the rain. Our grief for her. And yet her presence seems so warmly near. This quiet place. That we who loved her feel less lonely here. A little space. As if there brooded on each budding flower Her tenderness. As if her spirit o'er each bird-filled bower Bent down to bless. —By Charlotte Becker

BILLBOARDS MENACED

The published intention of a few prominent business men of the United States to join in a movement to rid the leading motor roads that have become such an eyesore to the traveller along the great public highways of the American Continent recalls an incident mentioned by the celebrated Scottish poet and publicist of the last century, Charles Mackay. In 1857 he spent some time in making a tour of the eastern part of this continent, and, as a matter of course he wrote a book telling in his graphic style what he saw during his journeyings. While passing through part of the mountainous region of New England he saw on the face of a very high rock the expression, "Fare as a soul without sin," in very large letters.

Being naturally curious about the article so described, he saw as he drew nearer, in quite small lettering, "Drake's Plantation Bitters." Dr. Mackay was a born humorist, as well as a song-writer, and some of his lyrics effusions have an abiding place in English literature. Among the best known and most popular are: "Cheer, Boys, Cheer," "To the West! to the West," and "England Over All." He was born in the City of Perth, Scotland, and was brought up amid

I CANNOT READ THE FUTURE

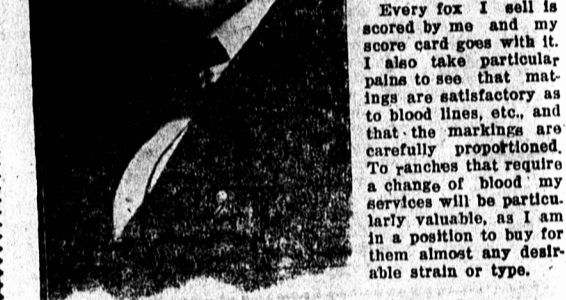
I do not claim the ability to read the future any more than any other man who makes a study of conditions in his particular line, but if I were asked for a statement as to the possibilities of Silver Fox farming for the next five years, my conscientious opinion would be that we are in for a period of greatly increased prosperity and better prices for Silver Fox furs than we have seen during the past two or three years.

Anyone who has studied the fox industry the last twenty years must know that Europe has been the great outlet for Silver Fox furs, and that all the world's records for pelts (which by the way have been captured by Prince Edward Island rangers) were made at the great London auctions. These pelts found their way to Austria, Russia, Germany, and France. From 1914 to 1920 these countries have been practically out of the market. Now Germany, Russia, Austria and France are again active in their demand for Silver Fox furs. The Germans were the largest buyers at the January Lampton's sale, sending the price of good skins up 50% above the previous auction sales figures. Germany also was the largest buyer at the Danish sale held a month later.

This is good news for the fox rancher, as it means a broader market and steadily increasing demand during the next few years. The United States is also demanding great numbers of Silver Fox furs. Thus market conditions are being created which will take care of all the Silver Fox furs that can be produced, at prices that will yield a profit ten times greater than any other farming proposition one can engage in.

If you intend to take advantage of this condition you would be wise to start your ranch this fall and make your arrangements for the purchasing of breeding stock, and avoid disappointment in securing the kind and quality of foxes necessary to make for sure success.

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conditions of hardships, almost of poverty; but as a song-writer he probably ranks next to Burns in the merits and the amount of his lyrical effusions. At a Negro wedding, when the minister read the words "love, honor, and obey," the groom interrupted him and said:—"Read that again, sah. Read it once mo' so de lady kin ketch de full solemnity of de meanin'. I've been married befo'."

The Silver Lining—"Two itinerant colored books had been lured from their services and regular jobs to take her home at a so-called winter resort. "Huh!" granted the pessimistic one. "An' dey calls dis a winter resort!" Jes' look at all dat snow fallin'."