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A GREAT SUCCESS

The faith and confidence of the Provincial Exhibition management in preparing a "better than ever" programme this year was fully justified by the enormous crowds which thronged the grounds yesterday and last evening.

LOWEST OF ALL

A Halifax contemporary has checked up on the per capita cost of municipal government in Canada and finds that the figures for Charlottetown, \$18.69, are lowest of all.

Again, in per capita cost of provincial government for the fiscal year 1931-32 Prince Edward Island ranks the lowest at \$10.38, with Nova Scotia second at \$13.04.

Table with 2 columns: City Name and Per Capita Cost. Includes Victoria, Vancouver, Windsor, Edmonton, Toronto, Calgary, London, Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Regina, Hamilton, Ottawa, Montreal, Saint John, Quebec, Halifax, and Charlottetown.

THE CONSTITUTION

Lord MacMillan, Chairman of the Royal Commission on Banking which has been holding sittings at Victoria has drawn attention to the fact that while under the British North America Act banking is a subject for federal jurisdiction, the financial policy of the Dominion might be influenced by conflicting provincial policies.

The Canadian constitution has been a fruitful source of litigation and argument. In insurance, in company law, and in various fields of conflict have developed and while the bearing of our federal form of government on banking has not in the past attracted a great deal of attention it would appear that during the sitting of the present commission it will receive considerable attention.

Lord Macmillan is a jurist and as such is keenly interested in constitutional questions. While the object of the present inquiry is the Canadian banking system it is quite conceivable that the constitutional aspect will come in for considerable discussion, and it may be that some of the findings in this connection will be of considerable benefit in

Notes By The Way

It is a queer trait with the disgruntled minority citizenship, says the Bragan Sun, that they can be led to imagine some new party is imbued with magic and the only honesty there is in politics.

When you read Dickens, you go along with him and poke into the commonest of scenes, and become a part of them. Nothing misses his observant eye. Especially is this true in regard to the human characteristics, where Dickens is concerned.

In the ultimate analysis and taking everything else into account, the main guarantee for the future of democracy is the fact that only by safeguarding the power and influence of an instructed public opinion can the great and fatal disaster of war be averted from human civilization.

A strike in the coal mining areas of Wales threatened to result in the loss of the Canadian market for Welsh anthracite. This, should it take place, would mean permanent loss for both operators and miners no matter who won the strike.

Historians of the future may well write of these times as the "colored shirt" age. We have the black shirts of Italy, the brown shirts of Germany, the red shirts of Russia, the blue shirts of Ireland.

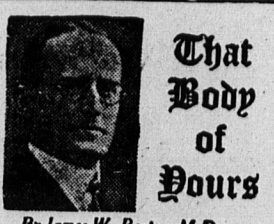
The British Government has embarked upon a bold and gigantic coal scheme involving the expenditure of \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000 on a plan for the construction in the northern coal fields of laboratories to function in the extraction of oil and other derivatives from coal.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The astonishing keeping qualities of butter under favorable conditions are shown by an archaeological find recently examined by Professor Johannes Gruss of Berlin-Rahnsdorf, in the form of hazelnut butter 2,700 years old and still in good condition.

There are those, says Detroit Saturday Night, who hold that the country would have got along quite as well without NIRA, provided business and industry could have engaged in the voluntary co-operation for which they asked some months ago without the threat of condign punishment under archaic anti-trust laws.

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By James W. Barton, M.D.

FOOD INFLUENCES HEIGHT AND WEIGHT

I have spoken before of a boys' preparatory school, in existence for over a hundred years, in which it was found necessary to install new beds recently, not because the old beds were worn out, but because they were not long or large enough for the present students.

While this definitely proves that the preparatory school boys of this generation are taller than their fathers and grandfathers, what about the weight of the present boys as compared with the weight of their fathers and grandfathers?

At the time of leaving their average age was just under 20, their average height 5 feet, 8 1/10 inches, their average weight 142 1/2 pounds.

There is no doubt in Major Williamson's mind but that the physical standard of these boys is definitely on the up grade.

The improvement has been brought about by common sense or what might better be called "scientific" feeding. The right amount and quality of food, together with the known value of vitamins now, has made feeding humans as practical as feeding animals.

To prove this point there was evidence to show that the weights of cadets of the 1920-1922 period were actually below those of 1910-12 and of 1930-32; that is 10 years before and 10 years afterwards.

Now what applies to these cadets applies to all growing or teen age children. In addition to the usual amount of milk that is always recommended, these children should get meat and eggs, plenty of vegetables, and a little fruit every day.

The Blueberry Forever

A controversy has been raging in the press of the United States concerning the respective merits of the huckleberry and the blueberry. The worthy warfare has reached as far east as Maine and there the champions of the blueberry have risen in their might.

The New York Times thinks times cannot be so bad on the farms as people would suggest, when, in the United States, some 2,500,000 people have gone back to the farms. When one is starving in the city, and can put his energy to work on a farm he can at least raise food for his family, while his clothing and fuel cost little.

A pseudo-scientific knowledge is displayed by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch which settles the question right off by declaring that the blue or blue-black berry that

is unpatriotic or disloyal or wicked to ask whether they are likely to run into any bad weather on their way.

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The Capitalistic System

(Montreal Star)

Hon. H. H. Stevens has been talking at Port Stanley about the exploiters of discontent who say to their followers: "You have been suffering from hard times under the Capitalistic System. Abolish the Capitalistic System and get good times." He has performed the useful service of pointing out to these gentlemen—and ladies—and their victims that the aforesaid Capitalistic System is only a part of the democratic system, that it is not a system but a growth, that it has its weaknesses, but that the cure is not destruction—it is correction.

The first great crime charged against the Capitalistic System is over-production. The second great crime is under-consumption. Obviously, all the Capitalistic System has to do is to commit its two crimes at the same place or on the same people, and they will both become virtues.

For instance, a farmer could not possibly produce too much food and yet die of starvation—unless he was crazy. If he gave as his reason for not eating that he had produced too many things to eat, you would know that he was crazy.

Of course, the Capitalist's System, with all its shortcomings, is not so silly as that. What is the Capitalist's System? A cave man, hunting his food, discovered that he could get more food with a bow and arrow. That was capital. He

makes such fine stuffing for pies should be called huckleberry—that there is no such fruit as a "blueberry, and then goes on to trace the history of the word huckleberry from the Saxon wurt or wryll, meaning a root down through wryllberries, wurtleberries and hurtleberries to huckleberries.

Blueberry—The sweet, edible blue or blackish berry of any of the several species of Vaccinium. . . . The blueberry differs from the huckleberry in containing numerous minute seeds instead of ten nutlets.

Huckleberry—The edible black or dark blueberry of any species of Gaylussacia. In many parts of the United States the term huckleberry is also applied indiscriminately but improperly, to the various species of blueberry. The common market huckleberry is the fruit of Gaylussacia resinosa. It is more acid than a blueberry, and is shining black, without bloom.



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—Alexander Pope, (1688-1744.)

possibly founded the Capitalistic System. Of course it has become more elaborate since that day. And that is probably what seems to be wrong with it now. If science and invention aid you to erect a very complicated mass of machinery on a simple foundation, it gets out of order much more easily than when only the crudest methods existed.

The trouble with civilization is not that it has a Capitalistic System, but that it has an astounding system of exchange which it does not take very much to throw out of gear.

The plate of cake was passed around the company; then to Johnny, who seized the only large piece left. As Frank took one of the small pieces, he said, under his breath, to his brother, "Pig!"

"Well," said Johnny, "if it had been passed to you first what would you have taken?"

"A small piece, of course," said Frank with righteous indignation.

"Well, then, what are you kicking about? That's the piece you got isn't it?"

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