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LIBRARY OBJECTIVE

It is not an exaggeration to say that the library demonstration work in Prince Edward Island during the coming months will be followed with keen interest not only in our sister provinces, but throughout the North American continent.

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While the library headquarters will be in the Prince of Wales College, the distributing centre for Charlottetown will be the Public Library in the Harris Memorial Building, where a number of volumes will be stocked and where applications for other books not there available will be received.

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ability and undergone severe and prolonged mental and physical hardships in discharging their public duties, while, at the same time, nearly all of them had to earn livings for their families and themselves in their private capacities.

"They have made mistakes and probably spent some money unwisely, but the central fact is that they have performed their functions of governing a democratic country in a period of unprecedented stress and hardship, maintained the country's credit and preserved law and order."

A WORD IN SEASON

The following comment from the American Bankers Magazine speaks for itself:

"No business man in any town should allow a newspaper published in his town to go without his name and business being mentioned somewhere in its columns. This does not mean you should have a whole, half or even a quarter page ad in each issue of the paper, but your name and business should be mentioned, if you do not use more than a 2-line space.

CHARM OF GARDENS

Much has been written of the charm of gardens, but nothing better than the following glowing tribute from the Montreal Gazette:

"Someone has called a garden a microcosm of the world, a living map of the climes and seasons, a gathering up of all things curious and useful and beautiful into a chosen and closed space.

EDITORIAL NOTES

In Toronto a monument is to be erected to the memory of Alexander Muir, author of "The Maple Leaf," and Quebec admirers are to bring back from Boston to a Canadian grave the remains of Calixa Lavallee, who wrote "O Canada!"

The Grand Jury at Summerside this week emphasized the need of using reflectors on all horse drawn vehicles at night. The Government has already taken action to distribute a number of these reflectors, and it is hoped, when they have come into use, that their advantage will be so evident that no one would think of using the highways at night without the protection afforded by these or other safety devices.

NOTES BY THE WAY

As announced in the news columns, President Roosevelt has signed a bill designed to protect the investing public by means of enforced publicity on the part of those who have securities for sale.

Interesting data regarding retail trade in Canada are provided in a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

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Commenting on the British birth rate, which, he says, with the exception of Sweden is now the lowest in the world, the Bishop of Exeter, writing in the Exeter Diocesan Gazette, refers to its relation to the question of unemployment.

"In 1911," he says, "we built schools and made preparations for 24 children to every 1,000 of our population. In 1931 when we had under 16 children for every 1,000 of the population, it meant that there were about one-third less children to educate. Therefore, one-third of the schoolmasters must fail to get work.

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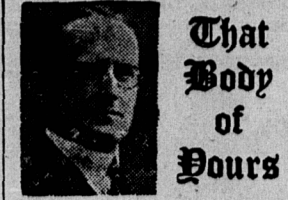
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Not so many years ago railroad accidents were distressingly numerous. Today they are few and far between. The improvement is due, observers say, largely to the work of the American Railway Engineering Association which for more than three decades has been carrying on research and educational work.

The Times correspondent explains that children came to the Russian towns in thousands from the villages in consequence of the eviction and banishment of their parents during the great grain drives last Autumn. The stream was reinforced this Spring by the general purge of the kolchozes (collective farms) and the widespread famine, which has rendered hundreds of thousands of peasants destitute and homeless.

Years of depression exercise on all people a sobering influence. Those inclined toward the gay and reckless life have to be content with quieter methods of entertaining themselves; and this would keep many out of trouble. The steady-going elements of the population realize that everything possible is being done by governing bodies and private citizens to tide them over the bad days, and that nothing is to be gained by making trouble.

Dr. T. V. Soong, Chinese Finance Minister, disputes the assertion that Japan had to intervene in North China because there is no central or authoritative government there. In an address at New York before the China Society of America he



By James W. Barton, M.D.

LOWERING HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE WITH BISMUTH

One of the first things the medical student is taught in correcting diarrhoea is to use castor oil or other purgative to get rid of whatever is so irritating the intestine that it causes pain and the passage of a great amount of water from the lower intestine.

If after the castor oil is used the diarrhoea continues then bismuth subnitrate is given to stop or arrest the irritation of the lining of the intestine. The bismuth so acts on the muscle walls of the intestine that it soothes or quiets them thus relieving the cramps.

The use of bismuth subnitrate in the treatment of diarrhoea has been common practice for a great many years.

Lately it has been thought that this same substance—bismuth subnitrate—might be used in cases of high blood pressure.

Dr. E. J. Stieglitz, Chicago, believes that many cases of high blood pressure could be helped if whatever is causing the muscular walls of the blood vessels to close or tighten could be removed, and then by using bismuth subnitrate these muscular walls would relax, open wider, and as the blood would flow more easily through these wider blood pressure) frequently does not would grow less.

Thus the bismuth subnitrate actually rests the tired muscles and they become less irritable. Dr. Stieglitz says that the bismuth subnitrate not only reduces the blood pressure during the time that it is being used, but if it is given for some length of time so that the muscles of the blood vessels get a real rest, this tightening or spasm of the blood vessels (which causes the high blood pressure) frequently does not return.

The results obtained in these cases of high blood pressure by the use of the bismuth subnitrate, after several years of its use, are most encouraging and gratifying. The point to remember is that when high blood pressure is due to an actual hardening of the blood vessels due to the muscle or elastic tissue of the wall being replaced by hard or fibrous tissue, bismuth subnitrate cannot make the elastic or muscle tissue tighten or relax. It is only before the muscle walls of the blood vessels have been thus damaged that the bismuth subnitrate can be of help. He advises a half teaspoonful dose, twice daily.

In some cases of angina pectoris—breast pang—bismuth subnitrate appears to reduce the number and severity of the attacks.



THE CHILD'S RETURN

One lovely day in Paradise, Where he had been before, A little child with large blue eyes Came knocking at the door, And to the Lord who greeted him Said he, "I've come to stay. Let my poor eyes should grow too dim To ever find the way."

The Lord said: "Children are my eyes, The way they ever know, And 'en the Earth is Paradise If they refuse to grow . . ." So to the Lord's own Paradise He thus returned one day— A little child with large blue eyes Although his hair was grey!

—From Back in the Return and Other Poems, by Huw Menai (London: Heinemann.)

said: "The governmental situation in China is far from chaotic except where Japanese invasion or intrigue has made it so." In proof of his assertion, Dr. Soong sketched the progress of the National Government in China from its launching by Dr. Sun Yat-Sen and its reconstruction program in public works, education, transportation, sanitation, industrial and commercial development and the improvement of the banking structure. During the earlier years the government had to borrow heavily. Then came a sudden change of policy, due to civil war, disastrous floods, the slump in silver, the attack of the Japanese, etc. In any other situation, Dr. Soong went on, the government would have contracted large loans, but the population already had suffered so severely that the government decided to live within its means at whatever hardship rather than increase the burden

The Session At Ottawa

A series of articles dealing with the business of the recently prorogued session of the Dominion Parliament.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

The five hundred million dollar St. Lawrence project has been a matter of controversy since its introduction in the United States Senate in the middle of April. The New York Senators contend that all the power from the development should go to New York State and that the problem be sent to a Commerce Committee for study.

Louisiana Senators object to the waterway on the ground that it will be an all-British canal. Power authorities take the stand that the development will make available 720,000 horse power of electricity to rural and domestic consumers and to American industry and check the migration of American industry to Canada in search of cheap water-power. It is estimated that the cost of development to New York would be a maximum of eighty-nine millions. Senator Copeland, in opposing the project, could see no reason why the United States should spend this vast sum of money when half or more of the work would be done by Canadian engineers by Canadian labour and with Canadian material wherever the work is on Canadian soil.

Senator Long of Louisiana, who is a strong opponent to the waterway treaty, contends that it will put an end to navigation in the Mississippi Valley and suggests that all had better move to Canada if the project passes the Senate.

The States now lined up against the undertaking include all of New England, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, the Carolinas, Virginia, Florida, most of the Gulf States, and a majority of the Pacific Coast and Mississippi Valley States. Ratification of the treaty would require a two-thirds majority of the Senate.

The Beauharnois canal has now passed into the hands of the Canadian Government and will become a part of the St. Lawrence Waterway.

POWER EXPORT

Existing contracts by which installations across the line are being supplied with electric energy will be observed, but there is to be no further export of power from Canada. The reference arises chiefly in connection with Beauharnois and the Province of Quebec. When the Beauharnois Charter was before the Quebec Legislature, the Premier of Quebec pronounced against the export of power and a clause was inserted to that effect. Later Mr. Taschereau took a contrary view and recent Provincial legislation authorized the export, insofar as the Province was concerned, of three hundred thousand

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