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BIRTHS

NEELIS.—At Regina on Feb. 11, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen B. Neelis, a daughter, Miriam Louise.
LEA.—At Sifton Boulevard, Calgary, Feb. 3, 1914 to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lea, formerly of Prince Edward Island, a bouncing boy. Congratulations.

DEATHS

CALLAGHAN.—At 280 Sydney St. on the morning of Feb. 15th, John Callaghan, aged 56 years. May he rest in peace.

CANADIANS IN LONDON.
LONDON, February, 14.—Mr. W. G. Ross, president of the Montreal Harbor Commission, with his wife and family, arrived by the Alsatian and is at present staying at the Savoy Hotel. Mr. Ross stated that he was visiting this side on matters of personal interest, and is proceeding to Nice in the course of the next few days. Mr. G. Hal Brown is also staying at the Savoy.
Miss Marjorie Starr, of Montreal, formerly of P. E. I., is another arrival. She is staying at Mayfield, near Bridge of Weir, Ayrshire. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lindsay, with their son and daughter, are returning to Montreal by the Alsatian at the end of the week.

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DIARY OF EVENTS

TODAY

City Magistrate's Court, 9 a.m.
Prince Edward, 7 and 9 p.m.
People's Theatre, 7.30 and 9 p.m.
Chess Tournament, 7.30 p.m.

THE Guardian's Circulation

SWORN DECLARATION.

January, 1914 172,594
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SCANDALOUS

Probably nothing in the political history of Canada has fallen with such crushing effect upon any party as has the story told by the Commission investigating the building of the National Transcontinental upon the Liberal party, a story told in our Ottawa despatches of the past few days.

It is a story of imbecility, of bungling, of incompetence; a story savoring of graft and corruption; of the country's interests sacrificed for the jobbers and hangers on of the party; it is a story that will make Canadians blush whenever they look at a railway and a story, too, that in all probability consigns that portion of the Liberal party who were concerned in it to a political grave from which there will be no resurrection. It will be remembered that, year after year, the Conservatives, then in Opposition, warned the Government that the cost of the road was excessive, that more care should be exercised, that on the face of it something was wrong. But the Government, then at home in the seats of the mighty, declared that everything was all right, that honesty, prudence and economy were in evidence all along the line; that there was no room for graft or crookedness. Hon. W. S. Fielding, who was then manipulating the purse-strings, assured Parliament that the whole road from Moncton to Winnipeg would cost only \$61,415,000. The investigation has disclosed the fact that in September, 1911, the sum of \$105,000,000 had already been spent and the chief engineer estimated that when completed it would cost \$161,300,000. Mr. Fielding was then only one hundred million dollars out, and the telling of the story had only begun.

It is quite conceivable that a government might be misled as to the cost of a railway through a difficult country. It is even conceivable that a Finance Minister might be honestly misled to the extent of a hundred million dollars, but when it has been disclosed on investigation that eleven contractors, who sublet their contracts, received \$2,000,000 for their share of the work done by others and on which they themselves never laid a hand, except to sign sub-contracts, the idea of honest error in judgment vanishes and in its place we find the naked skeleton of political corruption and jobbery.

And this is not all that the investigation has disclosed. It was found that "until the appointment of Major Leonard in the autumn of 1911, no member of the Transcontinental Railway Commission had any experience or knowledge of railway building or operation!" They were appointed to handle the country's millions in building this road, not because they knew anything about railroad building but because they were politicians and wanted a job! And the extent of their ignorance—if it was ignorance—may be gauged from the fact that the eleven contractors above mentioned made eight million dollars out of the

jobs they secured from them without turning a sod.

The portion of the road which parallels the Intercolonial, the report says, cost \$35,000,000 and is of no commercial value; "trees growing in the right of way, ties rotting and rails rusting away;" \$35,000,000, thrown away on injuring another government road that had all it could do to make ends meet! It is pardonable to make mistakes—"to err is human," and all that. This affair does not look like a mistake, not even like a series of mistakes. It bears evidences of an intermingling of stupidity, imbecility and political corruption. There may be explanations, there may be repentance, but on the face of the whole history of the business from the beginning to the end, it looks like a crime which Canada is not likely to forgive for many years to come.

NO BLUE RUIN HERE

Canada is to be congratulated on the business stability displayed during the world-wide financial depression now passing away. While there are a number of unemployed, yet in comparison with the United States this country has escaped this evil to a great extent. The Employment Bureau Society for Improving the Condition of the Poor, in New York, says that a conservative estimate of the unemployed in that city is 331,000. The conditions are the worst since 1907-1908.

Of the total unemployed, 140,000 were unskilled labourers. The building trades came next, with 70,000. Then followed: Longshoremens, 18,000; cloak and suit makers, 18,000; waiters, 6,500; tailors and pressers, 6,000; clerks, bookkeepers and accountants, 5,000; mechanics, 4,500; boatmen, bargemen, and sailors, 4,200; barbers, 3,500; drivers, 3,000; engineers and firemen, 3,000, and other trades in smaller proportion.

Thus in New York the unemployed is 5 1/2 per cent. of the total population. Liberals in drawing their pictures of gloomy conditions in Canada, did not dare make comparisons with the United States or their argument would have been at once disproved. They pointed particularly to Vancouver and Toronto as scenes of armies of unemployed. Statistics show 2,500 unemployed in Vancouver and 8,000 in Toronto, or 1.66 per cent. of the total population in the former city and 2 per cent. in the latter. Compare this with New York's 5 1/2 per cent., and in spite of Sir Wilfrid and his followers' kneece at this country, Canadians should feel proud at the present state of affairs when compared with the United States under similar conditions.

A TAME SESSION

There were those who expected that this was to be a fighting session at Ottawa, that the Liberals would begin where they had left off, and that there were troublesome times in store for the Government.

Well, the session is now well advanced and so far there has been no sign of a row. Moreover, it is freely admitted, by Liberal members themselves, that the session will most likely be short and quiet, coming to a peaceful end toward the end of May.

This sudden change of front is significant. There must be a reason and the reason is that the Liberal members have opened their eyes to the fact that their numerous and conflicting policies do not appeal to the people of Canada, and that there must be a new start. The notion that the turnover of September 21, 1911, was an accident, and that another election would bring about a reversal of the verdict, has been abandoned. There is, of course, nothing in it, and there never was anything in it, but there were Liberals, particularly among the ex-ministers, whose heads were in the sand, and who were perfectly sure that the Liberal sun had been only temporarily eclipsed.

When those dreamers went home after the last session, after the killing of the Naval Aid Bill and the Highways Bill, and the Branch Lines Bill, they found their electors looking at them, coldly. Then came the by-elections. And the awful disaster of Chateaugay. That was bad enough. In desperation, Sir Wilfrid Laurier announced his free-food-for-the-moment policy, and that was the last straw.

These things have contributed to one of the most remarkable political spectacles ever witnessed in Canada. The Liberal Opposition has collapsed completely. All that has been done so far has been done by Maritime Province Liberals, who are competing with one another for publicity, each in the hope of saving his riding in the redistribution. For the rest, they have been sitting solemnly back, saying little, thinking a whole lot, and, in several cases, getting ready to get out of politics altogether.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier seems to have lost heart as completely as the hunchback of the back-benchers. He sees

the Government gaining in strength every day, as the Borden policy of national development and expansion becomes daily better understood by the people of Canada. The Liberal leader finds himself alone but for a group of weaklings in whose counsel he can place no reliance. He was worried last session by the aggressive conduct of Hon. William Pugsley, but Mr. Pugsley did give the Opposition a reputation for fighting ability. This session there is no Pugsley, there is no fight, and Laurier is left to the safe enjoyment of a leadership with nothing to lead.

The revelations of the past few days in connection with the National Transcontinental Bungle has placed the last sod on the grave of the present generation of fighting Liberals. It is doubtful if even Mr. Pugsley would continue the fight in the face of this crushing revelation of his party's worse than imbecility.

ALBERTA NEWS

Sir,—It may be of interest to you to know how we are all getting along in Banff this winter. Our weather has been very fine, a little frosty at present, but dry and fine. We are well pleased with the improvements made by the new Government in Banff last summer, and if it will only continue we will soon have a beautiful park that all Canadians will be proud of when they come to Banff. Much building has been done, and property has advanced in value considerably. Our winter sports are now in full swing. A splendid slide from Tunnel Mountain has been built, and is greatly enjoyed. Skating rink and curling pond are in full swing, and a great many ladies are taking part in curling and skating.

I notice your paper does considerable advertising of fox business, and a number of new companies are trying to sell stock here in the west. From what conversation I have had with old fur-traders here they all claim the capitalization of foxes too high; they all cite the fact that there are a great many foxes, both silver black and other kinds, in the north country yet. Ranchers are starting in Alberta as well as in P. E. Island and it is expected that breeding stock can be purchased in the north much cheaper than it can on the Island. My advice to P. E. Island people would be not to take the black-fox business too seriously, for the trappers of the North countries heretofore have not known that a live black fox was worth any more than his pelt would sell for. But it is different now, and as you will see by the clippings I am sending you they are bringing them down in large numbers.

Whatever may be the result of the fox business on the Island I am pleased to know that it has given the land of my birth a lot of good advertising.

I am, Sir, etc.,
J. LOCKE.

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(All the items of fox news enclosed have already appeared in The Guardian.—Ed. G.)

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RACE BETTERMENT AMONGST POTATOES

PARIS, Feb. 12.—Race betterment among potatoes, is promised by three French experts who have succeeded in producing potato-bearing plants from seeds. The leaders in this new vegetable sex are: M. Sartory, Grailot and Thiebut, who declare that many centuries of sexual cultivation of potatoes has soon enfeebled the present race of roots that they easily fall prey to various potato-diseases, which a young and healthy race of plants would be able to resist. Potato seed planted in the ordinary way falls to produce plants with potato-bearing roots, but the experts found that in conjunction with certain ground mushrooms the potato seed would produce as desired. The mushrooms, by attaching themselves to the young plant, provoke the formation of potatoes.

The 1911 crop from sixty plants consisted of potatoes about the size of a walnut, though some ran larger. The best of these roots were again planted in 1913, and it is announced that they have produced vigorous fruit-bearing plants entirely free from any of the common potato ailments. Much importance is attached to the discovery, which not only provides a means of rapidly reconstituting the potato, but makes it possible by crossing and selection to develop a number of different varieties possessing qualities which it may be desirable to cultivate in the potato either from the commercial or the alimentary point of view.

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THAT ANTI-AUTO ASSOCIATION

Sir,—I was rather amused to read in the Patriot of Feb. 12th a report of a meeting held in Pleasant Grove Hall to discuss the matter of Autos. Although I live only a short distance from the hall I knew nothing of the meeting until I saw the report. I am mentioned. For fear the public might think that the people of Pleasant Grove are backwoodsmen I might state that the officers of the association formed according to the above report are not residents of Pleasant Grove but belong one and all to another settlement.

Now, just a word to those who might be led into signing the pledge which those back numbers are carrying around. Be careful. Some five or six years ago a similar pledge was signed by several people not far from the scene of this meeting and when the same ones came to the poll to register their votes, they found they had thrown away that right so dear to all people by signing a pledge similar to the one which is going around now. So, look out good people, you are being duped by a dupe.

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BAGDAD RY. AGREEMENT

PARIS, Feb. 14.—An agreement between France and Germany is to be signed at an early date with regard to Asia Minor, according to a morning paper, by which France gives up to Germany her interest in the Bagdad Railroad, promising to do everything necessary to link up the Bagdad with the railroad system to the Black Sea, conceded to France and Russia by Turkey. Furthermore, Germany will leave the construction of all railroads in Syria to France. The Bagdad Railroad which is to run under German auspices from Konstantinople, in Asia Minor, to the Persian Gulf, has been the matter of long-standing controversy between Great Britain and Germany, but it was reported several months ago that this difference was in a fair way of settlement.

LONDON BACKS BIG NAVY

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The Lord Mayor presiding over a non-political Guildhall meeting today of city men to assure the Prime Minister of the support of the commercial community of a policy ensuring the supremacy of the navy. Sir Edward Coates, the well-known director of Canadian finance in London, referred to the tyranny of political groups, declaring that whatever our political views are we must see that we had a country left to us to settle in. The Hon. Thomas Mackenzie, high commissioner of New Zealand, said the dominions were deeply concerned. They could not pretend to be able to do all that was necessary for the full protection of their goods, but were prepared to do their full share. Banbury, Sir Frank Crisp and Mr. Faithfull Begg.

ON TRACK OF REMEDY FOR SLEEPING SICKNESS

PARIS, Feb. 13.—Prof. Paul Ehrlich, the noted German scientist, who is spending his vacation in Paris is engaged in experimenting on a remedy for sleeping sickness and he believes that he will be successful in his research. Prof. Ehrlich is spending his vacation in a characteristic manner by visits to the various hospitals and laboratories. With regard to the advances of science, he said: "I am convinced that the next ten years will see immense progress in the treatment of contagious diseases by means of the X-rays, which are still imperfectly investigated. Perhaps cancer will be conquered. The new discoveries will be along the lines of chemico-radio-therapy. Vaccines and prophylactic serums, it seems to me, have yielded all that is to be obtained from them."

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PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 14.—Detectives are searching for Charles E. Winters, manager here of the sardine firm of Andrew Watson and Company, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, who disappeared last December with \$10,000 of the firm's money. He started he was going to purchase sardines with the money and booked passage for England on December 31, but did not board the vessel. He has not been seen since that date. Although a bookkeeper for the firm swore out a warrant for Winters' arrest, charging him with embezzlement, a number of the firm to date declared he did not believe Winters intended to take the money. He stated that he believes Winters' mind became unbalanced through worry at the death of a daughter, the serious illness of another, and business troubles resulting from the shortage of the sardine supply.

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