

MORE BRITISHERS TO CANADA PAST YEAR THAN TO ALL OTHER COLONIES

At Canadian Club Dinner Hon. Mr. Sifton Said That Canada, by Developing Herself, Contributed to the Strength of Britain—Beaver Line Officials Will Have to Explain Their Treatment of Barr Colonists.

MONTREAL, May 8.—A special London cable says: "There were 300 guests at the inaugural dinner of the Canadian Club last evening. Sir Gilbert Parker occupied the chair. Lord Wm. S. Seymour was one of the speakers. He said that he had inspected the Strathcona's Own, and considered them to be the finest corps, either regular or volunteer, which ever left Canada. He also discussed the relationship that exists between the Canadian minister of militia and the commanding officer. He believed that there would be no friction between the minister and Lord Dundonald, as the latter appreciated and understood the paramountcy of the minister.

"When Sir Gilbert Parker introduced the toast of the Dominion, he said that Canada had grown from a colony to a nation in recent years. "It may be a third-rate power as to population and second rate as to commerce but it is a first rate nation in the illimitable possibilities. Its prosperity is founded on its agriculture.

Hon. Clifford Sifton replied to the toast. In the course of his remarks, he pointed out that the home leaders were keen about South Africa, but not about the other colonies. Referring to the subject of colonial contribution, he said that Canadians were loyal to the king, but they were self-governing people, and would not abate any of Canada's rights to the mother-land or swerve in the slightest degree from the principle of self-government. By developing the Dominion, Canadians were a source of strength to Great Britain.

"Lord Strathcona presented J. G. Colmer, who recently severed his connection with the Canadian office, with a silver tea service, and to Mrs. Colmer he gave a diamond pendant.

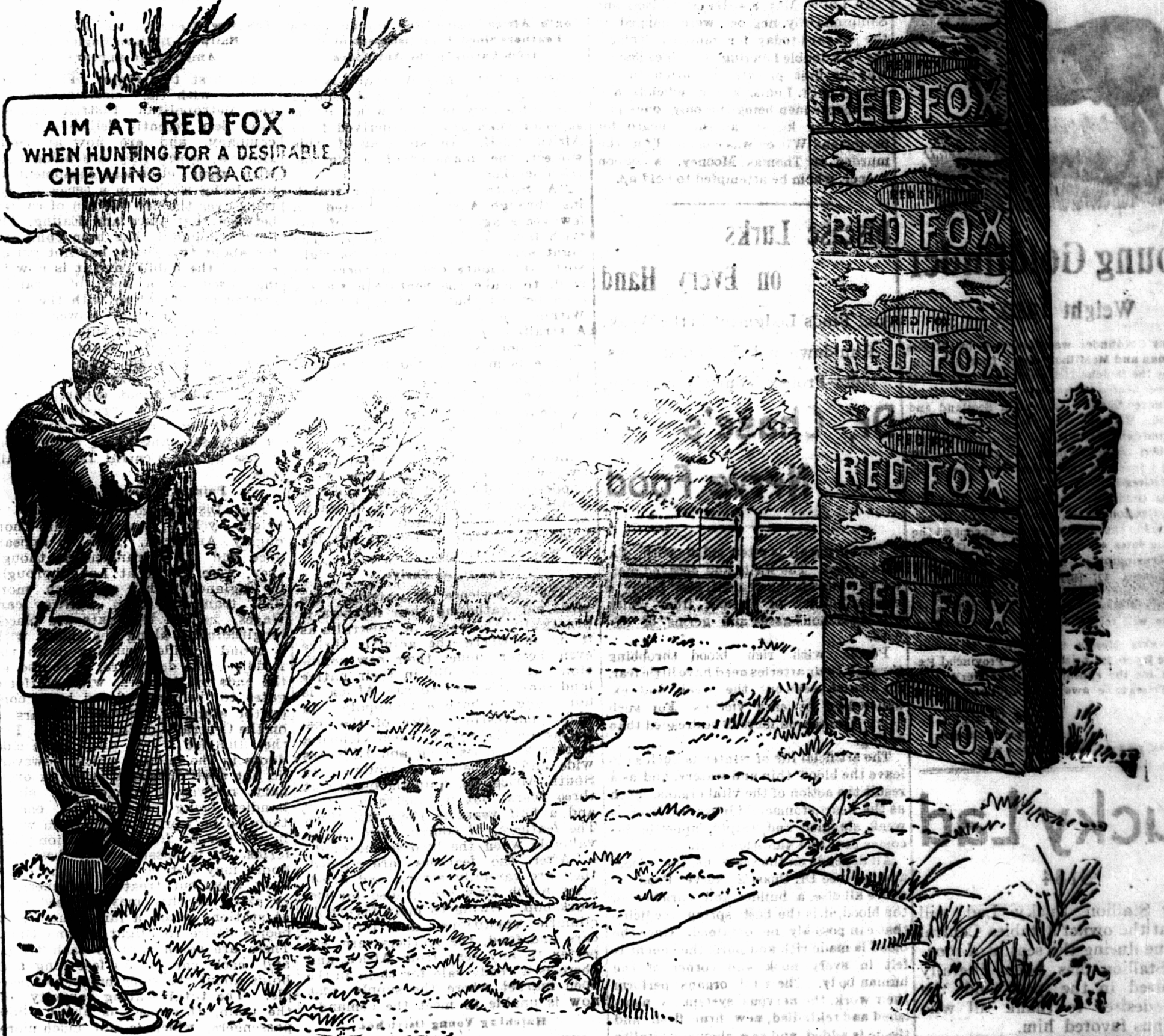
"A correspondent in the Morning Post ridicules the suggestion that Canada's action respecting German goods was initiated by Downing street, in order to increase the preferential treatment accorded by Canada to England. The correspondent says: "The British government is powerless to give Canada what it wants without a change in the British fiscal policy. The ministers at home will not be inclined to look with amiable feelings on the penalizing of German goods by Canada, if it forces on the cabinet the question of preferential trade within the empire. Canada's action may cause Germany to consider her treaty arrangements with this country."

"The correspondent also declares that Canada is deliberately setting herself out to force England into a preferential policy by penalizing German goods, in the hope of compelling Germany to take the bull by the horns and inform England that Germany must reconsider her commercial contracts with the mother land.

"Canada," says the correspondent, "has shown her independence of the mother country, who will have in future to remember that Canada holds the whip hand. With Mr. Ritchie's budget, any hope of a Canadian preference in the British wheat markets has disappeared. If preferential trade within the empire is not to remain a dream, Canada has moved none too soon."

"Mr. Preston will ask the Beaver line officials to explain the alleged overcrowding of the Barr colonists, owing to the numerous complaints received. He will also ask the board of trade why overcrowding was permitted. The criticism directed against the emigration officials ought to have been addressed to the ship owners and board of trade.

"The board of trade returns for April show that 9,763 Britishers emigrated to Canada, as compared with 3,095 for the same month last year. The total for the first four months of the present year was 21,643, compared with 6,554 last year. The total number of Britishers and foreigners



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"First he rubs you, and then suddenly, as you lie face downward on the marble slab, he is upon your back, his feet dug into your spine, his hands grasping your shoulders, to increase the pressure. Slowly, with skillful appreciation of every muscle, his feet grind up and down your back. They encircle your neck. They are on your head.

"Then he vaults lightly off, and in a moment from a linen bag filled with soap he has squeezed clouds of perfumed bubbles, and you are hidden in them from head to foot as completely as if you had fallen into a snowdrift. You are not absolutely bruised, but you are clean."

Sweetness That Never Fails.

During a sleepless night the Vizier Mujjeduddin Kumija dispatched his slave, Bedruddin Ejas, to bring him sweets. The slave procured a copper kettle heaped with many kinds of fruits and sweets, and Mujjeduddin began to eat.

"You relish them, my master?" asked the slave.

The vizier shrugged his shoulders. "These fruits are sweet—for the moment," he said, "but show me a fruit the sweetness of which will endure even unto the judgment day."

"Such fruits there are, my master," cried the slave and hastened toward the Mesched Husa, where he awoke the starving orphans in the house of Alwin and led them forth and into the room of his master. Overjoyed, the famished children devoured the fruits.

"Look, oh, my master," said the slave. Here you see fruits the sweetness of which endures unto the judgment day."

Betrothal Customs.

The Scandinavian bridegroom presents to his betrothed a prayer book and many other gifts, which usually include a goose. She in turn gives him, especially in Sweden, a shirt, and this he invariably wears on his wedding day. Afterward he puts it away, and under no circumstances will he wear it again while alive. But he wears it in his grave, and there are Swedes who earnestly believe not only in the resurrection of the body, but in the veritable resurrection of the betrothal shirts of such husbands as have never broken any of their marriage vows. The Swedish widower must destroy on the eve of his second marriage the bridal shirt which his first wife gave him.

To Boil Water Without a Kettle.

"My wife and I," says a traveling man, "were once in a hotel where we couldn't get any boiling water. After we had discussed the situation my wife asked me if I had an envelope in my satchel. I got one out, when she told me to fill it with water and hold it over the gas jet. I hesitated, but she finally did it and expected to see the envelope blaze up every minute. But it didn't blaze. The envelope took on a little soot, but that was all. The water boiled in time, and the envelope was as good as ever when the experiment was at an end. I don't know the chemistry of the process, but try it yourself and see if it will not work."

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