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THE INCOMPARABLE.—Wisdom is more precious than rubies, and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared with her.—Prov. 3:15.

PRAYER.—May Thy wisdom, O God, enter into our heart and knowledge into our soul.

UNSATISFIED

"Only a housemaid!" She looked from her kitchen. Neat was the kitchen and tidy was she; There at her window a sempstress sat stitching; "Were I a sempstress, how happy I'd be!"

"Only a Queen!" She looked over the waters. Fair was her kingdom and mighty was she; There sat an Empress, with Queen for her daughters; "Were I an Empress, how happy I'd be!"

Still the old frailty they all of them trip in! In her daughters, is always the same; Give her all Eden, she sighs for a pippin; Give her an Empire, she pines for a name! —Oliver Wendell Holmes

Modern Etiquette By ROBERTA LEE

Q. What should the very thin woman avoid in selecting her clothes? A. Straight vertical lines. Q. If a reception includes a guest of honor, should that fact be mentioned in the invitations? A. Yes, it is preferable to do so. Q. When declining an invitation, is it courteous to give the reason? A. Yes, it is courteous, but not obligatory.

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AN OPPORTUNITY.

WITH an additional subsidy of \$165,000 from the Dominion Government, and a yearly growing revenue from automobile licenses and gas tax, now amounting to over \$100,000, over and above the revenues of a few years ago, the present Government has a splendid opportunity to do something tangible for the province. So far the prospects for this are not very promising. They have already missed two excellent opportunities. A delegation representing the Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation waited upon the Government asking for an increase of salary. The Government turned them down flat. The teachers had asked them for bread, and they gave them a stone. The whole country had demanded this increase as a right to the teachers, and as a means to keep them in the profession and in the province, but the opportunity has been let slip and as a result there will probably be a further exodus of teachers.

The need of a Sanatorium has long been stressed by men and women of both political parties, and the consensus of opinion in the province is that such an institution is one of vital necessity. The Government has declined to do anything, except to pay for a chest diagnostician, and we understand the Red Cross is to pay half of this expense. For some time past the Red Cross has carried on this service at its own expense.

The Saunders' Government is going to do things, if we are to judge by the few speeches delivered during the present session by the Premier and by his supporters. They are going to revolutionize the whole works. They are going to greatly improve the roads; they are going to so improve and encourage horse-breeding on the Island that there shall be no further need of buying horses in the Western Provinces; they are going to compel the grading and breeding of bacon hogs, etc., etc.

All these revolutionary movements are to be undertaken, so they tell us, because they were so shamefully neglected by their predecessors! And they no doubt think that the people will believe them and raise their hats to them because they have promised to do all these things!

Well, the people of this Province have had experience with men of this type, with men of the same political family. Perhaps, notwithstanding those experiences the people will believe them. The people of this Province have usually been credited with a good deal of sound common sense, and we believe the majority of them now see the necessity of weighing well the utterances and the promises of Liberal politicians. Many of them have been misled more than once, only to repent when it was too late. The present Government came into power because some people believed that if Government Control were carried there would be "a grog shop at their door," and the "roads would be strewn with the mangled bodies of husbands and sons." They, only a comparatively few, however, believed this and similar things by men whom they thought they had a right to believe. These comparatively few added to the also comparatively few sincere believers in prohibition, which undoubtedly there are in both parties, and the total added to the solid Liberal party, wet and dry, gave Mr. Saunders his majority. But they are now learning their lesson, and by the time the next election comes around they will be in a position to size things up as they really are.

MR. KING'S FUTURE.

LA PATRIE, of Montreal, says:—"The Canada, being a Liberal organ, is in a favored position to obtain the latest news from political circles, and it announces that the visit to Ottawa of the Hon. Vincent Massey, Canadian Minister to Washington, has revived the rumors of his transfer to London as Canadian High Commissioner. Here is some interesting gossip, set forth in the columns of a ministerial organ, and as we remember, the rumor of a change of appointment of Mr. Massey was not the only one in circulation. In fact, it was stated that Mr. Massey was going to London to make a place at Washington for the Hon. Mackenzie King, whom the Liberal party was proposing thus to direct into diplomatic channels in order that Hon. Mr. Dunning might assume the leadership and premiership. At that time, the Financial Post, which often has some good inside information, prophesied these changes in the Legislature, made changes with assurance."

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Notes by the Way

THE Budget Debate at Ottawa lasted nearly a month and brought out a succession of some 140 speeches notwithstanding the new rule, limiting to 40 minutes each speaker's time. This was an unexpected result. There is no evidence whatever that the voting at the close of the discussion had been influenced or changed in any respect from what it would have been had the division been taken immediately after three speeches had been delivered on each side. No debate of like length in Parliament in many years has been less fruitful of new information or new ideas.

So far this has been notably a talking session. Less length of speeches seems really to have lengthened the debate. And there is apparent danger that this may prove true in the future part of the session. There are many controversial questions yet to come up. Shall half of the members of the House of Commons feel impelled to speak on each of these? With an adjournment of ten days at Easter, and so much public business yet to be transacted, it looks as if the session may be prolonged into the hot season with the usual high pressure rush at the close when in a thin House much important business is pressed through with frantic haste and scant consideration.

That the cause of temperance has suffered from "too much you shall," and too little "you should" is the impression of The Renfrew Mercury, which makes a strong plea for the revival of the old temperance societies and methods of moral suasion. The Toronto Globe endorses this view by saying "the friends of temperance cannot afford to ignore suggestions of this nature." Sentiment in favor of the abolition of the liquor traffic can be developed and built up; it cannot come by laws," says The Globe.

One of the evils that have come in the wake of prohibition is the abandonment of temperance education and the substitution of force. An arbitrary law enforced with a club has aroused opposition everywhere. Temperance education has been abandoned in order that prohibition may be exalted as an Eleventh Commandment added to the Decalogue and of equal divine authority. To that end Holy Scripture has been distorted and perverted.

Thousands of temperance men, including many who once advocated prohibition, and other thousands who consented to give it a trial, have, after a quarter of a century under its sway, become convinced of its failure, its uselessness and the unscrupulousness of the principle on which it is based. They are now, as freemen, in mental revolt against it.

Members of the Legislature cannot fail to take note of the change, to whatever party they may give their allegiance. As intelligent men they ask themselves: How is it that a law which stood unchallenged on the statute book of the province for a quarter of a century, which successive Governments and Legislatures tried to amend, improve and enforce, now has practically half the electorate arrayed against it? There must be a cause for this amazing change.

If it could not be enforced when all was in its favor at home and all Canada stood by it, what are the chances of enforcement with half the home electorate against it, and seven of the nine provinces having rejected it? Can the little clique who prepare its monthly propaganda, backed up by spies and informers, make prohibition popular again? Think it over!

"That the Maritime Provinces should unite in a Legislative Union" was the subject of a debate in Frederickton recently between teams of young ladies representing Acadia University and the University of New Brunswick respectively. The ladies from Nova Scotia argued the case for union with the New Brunswick contra and the latter were awarded a unanimous decision in their favor as superior in argument and presentation.

That the House of Commons is a one-man show, and perhaps the best club-house in Canada, and that the Cabinet controls the House instead of the House controlling the Cabinet, is the declaration of Miss MacPhail, M.P. That is not too bad! "Our Agnes" is becoming epigrammatic.

An Oklahoma inventor has patented a tool to remove the connection of storage battery terminals when they become rusted and defy screwdrivers. Of English design is an automobile the entire top of which can be rolled down out of sight into a rear compartment to convert it into an open car.

THE LATE JUDGE MacQUARRIE

(A Fine Tribute by an Outsider.)

It is not the Island alone that has suffered loss in the recent death of Judge MacQuarrie, but as the sad news travelled through the different provinces of the Dominion and across the border into the United States, a very wide circle of friends shared the sorrow. The late Judge was in a special degree the embodiment of the true Island spirit. Whether due to a Highland train in the blood, or whether due to the virile life on the farm, or whether, in a measure, a compensation for the privations of former days when Island produce did not command the market as it does today, the Islander became noted for a certain vigor of mind and a determined capacity for hard work, that made him victorious where many another would have failed. It was so with Judge MacQuarrie. Overtaken in the prime of early manhood by an affliction that deprived him of the ordinary use of his limbs, he did not abandon the struggle of life, not spend futile hours in repining. He could still use his head. His indomitable spirit mastered his handicap. He entered a lawyer's office. He wrestled with legal problems as he had done with his misfortune, and he succeeded where only grit and determination could have found a way. He won a large clientele, and when elevated to the bench he carried with him the respect and confidence of his constituency.

But the charm about the Judge was that with all his masterfulness he never lost his gentleness nor his happy disposition. There was no brighter spot on the Island than his hospitable fireside. But better still he never lost his faith in God or man. He never resented the Providence that had laid such a heavy restriction on his activities. Indeed, as years advanced, his trust grew deeper; and he left this world as one who was going to his Home, and he has bequeathed to us the legacy of a victorious life.

The Land We Love By Frank Yeigh

Canada's Coal Output Q. What is Canada's Coal Output? A. Canada's coal output in 1928, was 16,478,131 tons, worth \$50,875,094. Alberta, with \$20,886,103, 35 p. c. Nova Scotia, with \$26,845,226, or 45 p. c. British Columbia third, with \$10,612,915 or nearly 18 p. c. bituminous and sub-bituminous coal accounted for \$49,611,688, and lignite for \$10,263,506. Canada has \$148,000,000 invested in her coal mines. Canada imported 18,095,130 tons of coal in 1926; 4,242,932 being anthracite, 12,802,243 bituminous, and 10,965 lignite. Exports were only 1,023,200 tons—chiefly from Nova Scotia and British Columbia.

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH By W. L. Gordon

HOUSEHOLD SCRAP BOOK By ROBERTA LEE

Cleaning Rugs Rugs will look like new if scrubbed with a stiff brush moistened in diluted ammonia, and then rinsed with the garden hose while hanging on the line.

Asparagus When preparing asparagus, if the tough ends are stripped of the outside skin, they will be found when cooked to be tender and palatable.

Rubber Overshoes When rubber overshoes are worn out at the heels, soft tissue paper crushed and put into the heel will absorb the dampness and make a soft cushion, at the same time retarding wear.

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