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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than
the Weakest Ink"

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Historic Relics Exhibition

As will be noted from today's advertising
columns, plans have been made for a
public exhibition of articles of historic in-
terest - provincial, national or general -
to be held in the Clover Club on November
3 and 4. This commendable movement is
sponsored by the I. O. D. E., and the col-
lection of exhibits to be loaned will open
at the Armouries on Monday and continue
until November 1. This is not a commer-
cial enterprise; admission to the exhibits
will be free, and there will be no entry fee
and nothing on sale. It is hoped, with the
cooperation of all concerned, to make the
exhibition one of the most interesting held
in the Province for a long time.

Objects of historic interest may be of
any description - books, maps, manuscripts,
coins, Indian relics, old handicraft, China
ware, glass, silver, kitchen utensils, old
photographs, old buttons, boxes, wearing ap-
parel, old lamps of all types, old Island-
made pottery, jewelry, small chairs or
tables - the list is almost inexhaustible. All
the known facts should be attached to each
exhibit, preferably in typescript. The ex-
hibits should be accompanied by their ap-
proximate value, and will be insured by the
sponsors and given every possible care while
on loan.

Everyone has something in his or her
possession, or knows where there is some
item relating to the life of the past. Per-
haps of little value in itself, it may fill a
gap of historical significance, or serve at
least to recall the period in which it was
in use. Such trifles form the bulk of the
material in all the big museums, and to the
historian may be of incalculable importance.
We have as yet no Provincial museum in
Prince Edward Island, but it is to be hoped
that the exhibition now being planned will
serve to stimulate interest in this subject.
It is something about which our summer
visitors have frequently expressed concern;
but more important than that is the educa-
tional value of exhibits of this kind to our
own people, especially those in our schools
and colleges who should be encouraged in
every way to familiarize themselves with
our Island past.

Canadian Citizenship Appeal

The Canadian Citizenship Council, a
voluntary organization with members in all
parts of Canada working through existing
bodies such as Chambers of Commerce, na-
tional, provincial and local welfare, church
and youth groups, etc., is preparing to
launch its first nationwide campaign next
week, designed to publicize its aims and
objects and to raise \$50,000 required from
all Canada to enable it to continue its pro-
gramme.

Since war's end, the Council's work
among Canada's 400,000 new immigrants,
70,000 of whom are D.P.'s, has been a
major task, yet it is also seeking to pro-
mote a fuller understanding of our demo-
cratic way of life among older Canadians,
and among the 250,000 young Canadians
who come of age every year. The need for
such activities is apparent. They were
strongly emphasized by Rt. Hon. W. L.
Mackenzie King in a message to the Coun-
cil's regional chairman. "Whether we like
it or not," Mr. King declared, "the future
of our country is wrapped up with the fu-
ture of all countries. In this atomic age,
the alternatives which face mankind are
universal destruction or unparalleled free-
dom. Canada will help to decide in which
of these opposing directions humanity will
move. So long as our citizens continue to
possess the vision and courage of the found-
ers of our nation, Canada's influence will
be in the right direction. So long as we
continue to cherish the high ideals of our
common citizenship, our country will make
a great, and, it may be, a decisive contri-
bution to the preservation of human free-
dom, and to the establishment of enduring
peace. That is the largest opportunity and
the heaviest responsibility of Canadian citi-
zenship."

Spear-heading the Canadian Citizenship
Council's work as co-chairmen are General
H. D. G. Czerar, leader of Canada's war-
time Army, and Dr. Andre Taschereau, K.
C., senior partner in the law firm of which
Prime Minister St. Laurent is the head. The
national campaign chairman is Mr. Hugh
M. Wallis, of Montreal, whose function is
to co-ordinate the appeal of his twenty-
seven regional chairmen for moral and fi-
nancial support for the Council in its first
crusade to establish itself on a truly coast-
to-coast basis. Regional chairman for this
area is the Hon. A. E. Arsenault, retired
Justice of the Supreme Court.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tomorrow, 18th Sunday after Trinity.

Charlottetown is becoming decidedly art
conscious with two exhibitions of paintings
within a week.

Next week, starting Monday, the Bible
Society will make its annual collection
appeal.

A delegation of British trade union lead-
ers bound for the United States got their
first object lesson in boosting industrial
production before they even sailed. A Com-
munist member of the group was refused an
American visa.

This Province is now represented on the
Standing Committees "in accordance with

their experience and interests" as follows:
Marine and Fisheries, Mr. J. Watson Mac-
Naught, Mr. W. Chester S. McLure. Rail-
ways, Canals and telegraph lines, Mr. J.
Lester Douglas, Mr. McLure. Agriculture
and Colonization, Mr. J. J. Kickham. Lib-
rary, Mr. MacNaught. Printing, Mr. Dou-
glas. But Public Accounts, Banking and
Commerce, have no representatives from
this Province.

The volume of freight carried by Cana-
dian railways in June is reported to have
been 10.2 per cent less than in 1948. In-
creased freight rates will not improve the
situation from the point of view of goods
carried, which is after all the object of hav-
ing railways.

The Mother of Parliaments is experienc-
ing strange constitutional behavior by the
Labour Government. Only a few days after
Health Minister Bevan stated that a general
election would be held "in a very short time
on a date which I don't propose to mention,"
his chief, Prime Minister Attlee contradicted
him to assert that there would be no
election this year.

Allan Ramsay, Scottish poet, born this
date 1686. He started business as a book-
seller in Edinburgh, and published The Tea
Table Miscellany, and The Evergreen col-
lections of poems. It is, however, as the
author of The Gentle Shepherd, a dramatic
pastoral of the realistic type that he is
chiefly remembered. In 1730 he published
a Collection of Thirty Fables and six years
later a collection of Scots Proverbs.
For when I dinna clearly see,
I always own I dinna ken
And that's the way with
Wisest men.

Federal Ministers are fighting shy of set-
ting up even the standing committees for
this session because they have been bitten
by the bug of an early prorogation. It
means that those who are eager to take a
filing at the CBC proposal for doubling the
listening license fee from \$2.50 to \$5 may
have to wait until next spring. But Lib-
erals at their caucus last week denounced
the project so it is unlikely the Government
will approve a higher listening fee in the
face of strong opposition from its own party
backers.

The reconstruction of the Jones Govern-
ment came as no surprise as it was con-
siderably overdue. The Premier, as was to
be expected, retains the whip hand, greatly
strengthened by the portfolio of Public
Works. Mr. Stewart has dropped out to
help to give each of the three Counties rep-
resentatives in the Government. The re-
formed Government seems more likely to
exhibit cabinet solidarity than Island ad-
ministrations have done for some time.
There can be no division of responsibility.
Each member must answer for every act of
the regime.

Most members of the House of Commons
and the Government itself seem determined
to finish the agenda with the minimum of
talk, the maximum of speed, and the mini-
mum of money spent by members in hotels
and boarding houses. Members want a lot
of take-home pay this time with which to
wipe off election bills. One big item yet
to be completed is the abolition of appeals
to the judicial committee of the Privy Coun-
cil in London together with appropriate
changes in the set-up of Canada's Supreme
Court, and another important piece of busi-
ness is final consideration of the project
whereby the Dominion will provide financial
aid to the provinces in construction of the
long-awaited trans-Canada highway.

Charlottetown lost two highly esteemed
citizens yesterday in the passing of Major
H. L. Bethune and Mr. Leo B. Doyle. Major
Bethune was one of the Island's outstand-
ing athletes in his younger days, and had a
distinguished record overseas in the First
World War. He was also one of the lead-
ing pharmacists of the Province. Mr. Doyle
carried on a plumbing business in the city
for several years, and enjoyed a wide re-
putation both for competent workmanship
and for fair and honest dealing. Both
gentlemen were model citizens, upright and
conscientious in the discharge of all their
duties, with a wide circle of friends and ac-
quaintances and with a keen interest in
the welfare of the city and Province. In both
cases death came unexpectedly, before the
news had reached many of their friends
that they were seriously ill. Deep sympathy
will be extended by all classes to the
bereaved families, whose loss will be felt in
many ways as a community one.

The news that Unesco (the United Na-
tions Educational, Scientific and Cultural
Organization) is wanting to increase its ex-
penditure by a million dollars in the coming
year, says "Janus" in "The Spectator", is
likely to meet with a chilly reception in this
country - which would have to find its share
of the dollars. I say "would" rather than
"will" because it seems to me highly im-
probable that Unesco will get its money and
highly undesirable that it should, until it
makes much better use than it has so far
of the funds it already possesses. Interna-
tional co-operation in education, science and
culture is obviously to be welcomed in it-
self, but Unesco has conspicuously failed so
far to carry conviction. It has on the con-
trary created the impression that in a time
of financial stringency it is frittering money
away on a number of fanciful and relative-
ly valueless projects. If they are not value-
less the attempt to demonstrate their value
is signally unsuccessful. What, for example,
is meant by "developing the already impor-
tant publications programme of the funda-
mental clearing-house"? And is it really
true that to make the scientific facts on
race available to institutions of higher
learning will enable racial prejudice to be
combated "on a population level"? Racial
prejudice raises psychological and moral,
not scientific, questions. What Unesco ap-
pears to need is a thorough overhaul, not
more dollars.



Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.)

Budding Island Authors

Dr. Harper's report on the papers
written by scholars in Prince
Edward Island has been published.
He awards the Province prize
to Miss Nellie M. Hodgson, and
the City prize to Master Fred R.
Hodgson, aged thirteen and four-
teen years respectively, who wrote
on the 'Pesse Comitatus' and on
'Penantry, Prince Edward Is-
land and some events connected
therewith'. Both these most suc-
cessful pupils are children of Mr.
and Mrs. S. F. Hodgson. The sec-
ond place in the City competition
is taken by Miss T. May Dodd,
daughter of Hon. T. W. Dodd, the
subject of her essay being 'The
Tenant League'.
Dr. Harper makes special men-
tion of the papers of Miss Mary
Alice Ross, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. R. K. Jost, and Miss Mar-
garet James, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. T. C. James. For Queen's
County the first prize is taken by
the second by Master Nathan J.
Lockhart, of Cavendish School,
subject, 'The American Gale', and
the third by Miss Lucy Maud
Montgomery, of the same school,
subject, 'The Wreck of the Marco
Polo'. Dr. Harper says that, of the
others, may be mentioned with a
degree of credit to the writers
'The Yankee Storm', by Miss Ma-
deline MacLeod, of Bayview School;
'The Loss of the Fairy Queen', by
Miss Eva Hyde, of Meadow Bank
School; 'The Heroic Rescue of a
Child by its Mother', by Miss Katie
Campbell, of Belle Creek School;
and 'The Seven Brothers', by Mas-
ter R. H. Jenkins, of Mount Al-
bion School.

For King's County the first
prize is taken by Master Oliver
Rose, of Lakeville School; the sec-
ond by Master Harry Bishop, of
Kingsborough School, and the
third by Master Alfred Sinnott, of
St. Peter's Harbor School.
For Prince County the first
prize winner is Miss Eliza D. Ram-
say, of Summerside High School,
the second is Master Ernest Craw-
ford, of Tryon School, and the
third is Master Ernest Rogers, of
Alberton Grammar School. Dr.
Harper says the following papers
for Prince County are worthy of
special mention: 'Home and Happi-
ness', by little Emily Woods, of
Mount Tryon School, who is only
nine years old; 'Lost on the Ice',
by Master Keith Stewart of Sum-
merside Eastern District School;
'The Kensington Fire', by Fairlie
M. Durant of the Kensington
School; 'The Yankee Storm', by
Miss Joffe Phee of Norway School,
and 'A Life Among the Indians',
by Miss Mary S. Dunbar of Alber-
ton Grammar School.
-Island Guardian, June 8, 1880.

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A Lost Navigator

(By Thomas Dunbabin)
Officers and men of the French
sloop of war Francois Garnier
honoured a navigator whose career
touched both Canada and
Australia when they affixed a
plaque to the memorial at Bot-
any Bay near Sydney - to Jean
Francois Galoup, Count of Laperou-
se. Almost at the same time the
steamer Paul Carl landed at Mel-
bourne the first post-war cargo of
logs from the island of Vanikoro
in the Santa Cruz group.
Laperouse led a French expedi-
tion into Hudson Bay in 1782 and
took Fort York. It was the last
time that France held territory in
Canada and it went back to the
Hudson Bay Co. in 1783.
On March 10, 1788, Laperouse
sailed from Botany Bay after his
exploring vessels, Astrolabe and
Boussole had spent six weeks
there. He, his ships and all his
men vanished.
Nothing was known of their fate
for forty years. In 1827 Peter Dil-
lon, born (like Napoleon's Empe-
ress, Josephine), in Martinique,
brought up in Ireland and a citi-
zen of Sydney, Australia, found re-
lics of Laperouse at Vanikoro and
learned that the two ships had
been lost on the reefs. Many of
the men reached the island and
later sailed away in a craft that
they had built.
Dillon took the relics to Paris
where Charles X made him a
Chevalier and gave him 4,000
livres a year. The Chevalier Dillon
died in Paris on February 9, 1847.
His descendants still live in Syd-
ney.
Vanikoro has fine stands of
kaupine, closely akin to the
kauri of New Zealand. Australian
timber-getters now cut logs on the
island that kept for so long the
mystery of the fate of Laperouse.

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- Notes By The Way -
Even in Canada, if we do not
follow sensible practice in the fu-
ture, 20 or 30 or 50 years may see
the end of many of our game spe-
cies. Our buffalo is an example.
If a handful had not been pro-
tected, and the herds allowed to
build up over the years, this fine
animal would now be extinct. Elk
and moose are already scarce in
many areas. Stag and deer, ex-
cepting jumping deer, are not to
be found any more over wide sec-
tions of the country. - Winnipeg
Free Press.
The small town, with its weekly
newspaper, is the backbone of ev-
ery country, and a goodly portion
of the country's great men and
women were reared in the small
town. People take time to think
in the small town. They keep in-
formed, and from many a one have
come our most outstanding presi-
dents and legislators, as well as
those who have contributed to the
life of the nation and to the world.
-Brandon Sun.
It is scarcely understandable that
human beings have remained so
tolerant of the rat. The latter has
invaded virtually every country in
the world except the polar regions.
Even in a country of limited popu-
lation such as Canada, the depre-
dations of rats cost millions of
dollars annually. Occasionally in
the larger cities there are cam-
paigns organized to destroy them,
but there is no well-sustained or-
ganized effort anywhere to erad-
icate these destructive and danger-
ous pests. It is no exaggeration to
say that governments could afford
to spend large sums of money in
efforts to eradicate the rat, and in
doing so they would accomplish
an economic miracle. - Chatham
News.
The time may come when the
city will find it advisable to re-
quire, rather than merely permit,
a very short taxi-cab, shorter even
than the overly long pleasure cars
which seem to be desired nowa-
days by the American public. But
at present it cannot plausibly be
defend in view of street congestion
and average passenger load, a
continuation of obsolete specifica-
tions that add to traffic problems,
increase the purchase price of the
cab, its cost of operation, and re-
duce the resale value of the cab.
The city has declined to permit a
deserved increase in cab fares; it
can at least make the financial
condition of cab operation less on-
erous. - New York Times.

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