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RESTRAINT AND LIBERTY.

WILL DURANT, one of the most thoughtful of present day writers, the author of "The Story of Philosophy," a recent work which has evoked much favorable comment, has an excellent article in Harper's Magazine for June on "Liberty."

"To forbid the use of stimulating and consoling liquors because some men abuse them, shows the amateurish weakness of a government that does not know how to control the fools without making fools of all."

If our young men are kept from the evils of drink by the simple remedy of keeping the drink away from them, they are but poorly equipped for the battle against the liquor evil.

Total abstinence from alcoholic stimulants, because such abstinence is healthful to mind and body is a virtue. Total abstinence because there is nothing to drink is neither a virtue nor a vice; it is simply a negative necessity.

The weakness of prohibition, and the reason it has failed and always shall fail, lies in the fact that it relies on the removal of temptation rather than realizing the danger of temptation and the necessity of fighting it.

The only temperance in eating or drinking, in play or work is to know the evil of excess and to guard against it.

The question of temperance has been much discussed in the past few weeks in this province, and the emphasis, we regret to find, has been placed where it ought not to be.

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It is most regrettable that so much of our pioneer and pre-pioneer days has been lost. Relics of the early

gle with the aboriginal savages, relics of the French regime, relics showing the slow advance from primitive to modern and near modern conditions are still to be found in many parts of the Island; many are still being unearthed and are held as priceless. We wonder why so little care has been taken to preserve the things which distinguished the early from the modern days. Relics, however, are treasured only when they become relics. In those old days the finding of Indian arrowheads, of cast iron cannon balls, of ancient swords and fire-arms was an almost every-day occurrence. Guns which today would be considered historically valuable, were sold to the junk man and many articles of at least sentimental value or of historic information have been resurrected from junk shops and placed among the most prized treasures of our homes. To have told a grandmother of a hundred years ago that her old spinning wheel would be to her grandchildren a priceless treasure would have been only to invite ridicule. Yet it has come to pass that the spinning wheel, the brass candlesticks, the oil lantern of a hundred years ago, are now among the household gods.

We of today are doing just what our grandfathers did; we are throwing into the scrap heap things which a hundred years hence would be treasured as valuable relics. Our newspapers, our household and office utensils, commonplace as they are today would, if kept for future use, be as much sought after a century hence as are today those of a century ago. Let us not forget that the present day will some day be regarded as a past age, a primitive age in which men and women struggled in strange ways for existence and for pleasure. Time brings its inevitable changes, but it always looks with a kindly eye on the past. Let us preserve for future ages the evidences of the present.

PROSPEROUS B. C.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, says an exchange, has great reserves in natural wealth and has begun to realize upon some of it. In the course of his 1925 budget speech Dr. MacLean stated that total production in that year amounted to \$391,810,000, which was \$764 per head of population, as compared with \$626 for the Province of Ontario. He estimated the capital invested in productive enterprises at \$949,926,000, of which \$437,963,000 was industrial plants, with annual payroll of \$106,800,000.

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EDITORIAL NOTE The present summer promises to produce some lady champion swimmers. One daring female undertook to swim across Charlottetown harbor the other day, but when almost half way across she accepted the invitation of a motor boat skipper, and

Notes by the Way

Lloyd George is known throughout the English-speaking world, but how many Canadians knew that he has acquired great wealth? Yet such is the fact. Among his manifold political and other activities he has proved himself a financial wizard. A British United Press despatch tells how he sold the London Daily Chronicle for \$3,000,000, of which \$1,200,000 has already been paid, and bound the purchasers, who are headed by Lord Reading, to continue the paper's policy of supporting progressive Liberalism. The transfer of the paper really means that Lloyd George retains it as a mouth-piece and an unflinching supporter, besides receiving a fortune from its purchasers.

Proportional representation in various forms has had many advocates and has been adopted in not a few countries, but in no case has it satisfied the hopes and expectations of the reformers who succeeded in having the experiment tried out. By a majority of 86 the French Chamber of Deputies has abrogated it as the Ulster Parliament had already done although it began its existence under that system and it is expected that in the Free State the same course will be taken. "P. R.", as it is called for the sake of brevity, has failed to do what it was designed to do, and nobody seems to be satisfied with its working under any of the forms so far devised.

It is estimated that the immense corn crop of the United States is grown on some 250 million tons of stalks that are almost useless except as raw material, out of which to make cheap "cob" pipes. The stalks are almost entirely burned in order to get rid of them. Now it is stated that some one in Hungary has discovered a process by which a silky fibre can be extracted from cornstalks in abundance and that, following this discovery factories are to be established in Nebraska, Iowa and Illinois for the purpose of making artificial silk from which dress materials and hosiery will follow. One enthusiast in Omaha boasts that "there are enough corn-stalks going to waste in Nebraska every year to make silk stockings as cheap as gunny sacks and to duplicate all the silk dresses in the world."

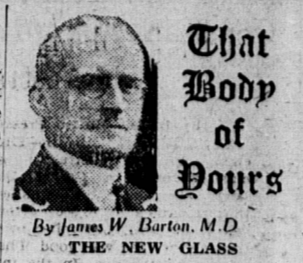
It transpires that the Railway Commission has checkmated the National Railway Board in its determination to maintain high freight rates in the Maritimes. The National Board by its new tariff sought to evade the Act of Parliament passed at the last session, and had the new tariff gone into effect without a vigorous protest, Saint John and other Canadian Atlantic ports would have been placed at a great disadvantage. Just why the National Railway management framed its new tariff contrary to the enactment of Parliament—"keeping back part of the price" by law required—is one of the things the ordinary citizen cannot understand and an explanation would seem to be in order.

The greater use of Canadian Atlantic ports for the shipment of Dominion products over sea, instead of the diversion of this trade to United States ports, is another of the transportation problems on which the Railway Commission is expected to give its opinion in the near future, but whether a formal judgment will be then delivered is not yet known. What is well known, however, is that this robbery of Canadian railways and ports has been practiced for a long time with impunity, has grown to vast proportions, is increasing and ought to be diminished.

In the coming Conservative convention at Winnipeg a platform should be laid down that would promote Canadian unity by meeting the just requirements of both the East and the West and so conferring benefits upon the entire Dominion. Premier Ferguson was right when he said there should be no discontented provinces. The Conservatives of Ontario are sympathetic with the Maritimes, and the latter are quite broad-minded enough to accept the Ontario Premier's proposal that even should it be necessary to compensate the railways, the products of the West should be given preferential rates to the Atlantic seaboard, and that Maritime coal and fish must have like treatment in their carriage westward.

A vast assembly paid more than a million dollars at the Stadium in New York last Thursday night in order to see two pugilists pummel each other. It was an exciting spectacle no doubt, but not an elevating one. A prize fight has a strange attraction for a certain grade of mentality and even in our own peaceful city a dog fight near a street corner will quickly draw a crowd.

Fine grained tapices, added to wheat cereals, one half tapice and one half wheat, makes an ex-



By James W. Barton, M.D. THE NEW GLASS

I received a circular in my mail the other day that gives an indication of how quickly events are moving. Some time ago I wrote about the new glass that was being manufactured that permits penetration by the ultra violet rays. As you know the ordinary window glass permits the entrance of warmth, brightness, and certain rays that kill off harmful organisms, but unfortunately the ultra violet rays cannot get through to do their curative work.

This circular was advertising the new type of glass and the price is now very reasonable. Formerly if an hospital could get one room, a solarium as it was called, fitted with this glass, it considered itself fortunate. Now it will be possible for hospitals to equip all their rooms, because in cases where the chances are only fair for recovery, the curative power of the sun through this glass might make enough difference to bring about recovery. However it will likely be the habit of our architects in the near future to specify this type of glass for the sun room of the home, so that in times of illness it would be always available, aside from its everyday value from the health standpoint.

Where there are children the nursery windows should also be of this glass, thus giving the same effects now obtained by the quartz lamps with their artificial sunlight. You are familiar with the wonderful results obtained by means of these in cases of tuberculosis and "rickets."

Schoolboards may also be wise enough to secure this type of window for the school rooms. Its use in commercial pursuits such as greenhouses and poultry houses is at once apparent. I am just wondering if we fully realize all that this glass is going to mean to us all. Just think of it, the full benefits of the sunlight to be within reach of everybody in a short time. This glass is being manufactured in the United States, England, Canada, and other countries.

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

By W. L. Gordon WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "the banks of the river had overflowed." Say "overflowed." OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: with Pronounce the th as in "thy," not as in "thigh." OFTEN MISPELLED: campaign. SYNONYMS: real, actual, true, positive, absolute, existing. WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: SORDID; vile; mean; squalid. "It was a struggle with hard and sordid circumstances."

FOR THE SCRAP BOOK

A SERIES OF LITERARY QUOTATIONS FOR BOOK LOVERS

Saturday, July 23rd. First newspaper, English Mercuric, 1588. First "Bloomers" worn at Lowell ball, 1851.

The good critic is he who relates the adventures of his soul among masterpieces.—Anatole France.

BAB-LOCK-HYTHE In the time of wild roses As up Thames we travelled Where mid water-weeds revelled The lily uncloses,

To his old shores the river A new song was singing, And young shoots were springing On old roots for ever.

Dog-daisies were dancing, And flags flamed in cluster, On the dark stream lustre Now blurred and now glancing.

A tall reed down-weighting The sedge-warbler fluttered; One sweet note he uttered, Then left it soft-swaying.

From the bank's sandy hollow My dip net went beating, And past our bows fleetly Blue-backed shone the swallow.

High woods, heron-haunted, Rose, changed, as we rounded Old hills greenly mounded, To meadows enchanted.

A dream ever moulded Afresh for our wonder, Still opening asunder, For the stream many-folded;

Till sunset was rimming The West with pale flushes; Behind the black rushes The last light was dimming;

And the lonely stream, hiding Shy birds, grew more lonely, And with us was only The noise of our gliding.

That Body of Hours

Happenings of the Week It is easy enough to be jolly When the sun shines bright in the sky. To banish dull melancholy When the tide of your hope runs high; But a harder task comes with the dawning Of a day full of gloom and rain, When the sun on your life's horizon Goes down amid clouds of pain.

The approaching visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and Prince George, and Right Hon. Premier Baldwin is at the invitation of the Dominion Government, which has arranged the entire program for the tour through Canada of the Royal visitors and the Prime Minister.

The Prince of Wales wants to leave most of the speech-making to Premier Baldwin when they go to Canada this month, in connection with the Dominion's Diamond Jubilee. Their official tour is scheduled to begin July 29, and end August 10. The Prince does not like public speaking, and according to close friends, has indicated that he will do only a small part of the talking. Both the Prince and the Premier realize that the schedule of official engagements awaiting them will make the trip a strenuous one. Prince George, who also will make the trip, is congratulating himself that his status is merely that of a passenger.

The Premier and Mrs. Stewart left Thursday morning on a ten days' trip to Ottawa, where the Premier has been invited to take part in the proceedings in connection with the World Poultry Conference.

Mrs. L. L. Reprecht, of Moncton, N.J., who is summing at Beach Grove Inn, is being most cordially welcomed.

Dr. and Mrs. David Mackenzie, of Montreal, sailed on the S. S. Montrose yesterday on a six weeks visit to England and the continent.

Mrs. E. H. Beer and daughter, Miss Bessie, have gone to Souris to spend a few weeks at the Cox Hotel.

Among the interesting visitors who are greatly enjoying their holiday visit to the Garden Province, are

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

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GOD'S FAVOR:—Lord, Thou hast been favorable unto Thy land: Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of Thy people; Thou hast covered all their sin. Psalm 85:1, 2.

PRAYER:—Gracious God, help us to appreciate all of Thy benefits.

July 24, 1927 A DYNAMIC PRAYER:—Shew us Thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us Thy salvation. Psalm 85:7.

PRAYER:—O Lord God, let my prayer come before Thee, incline Thine ear unto my cry.

THE BUSY MAN

If you want to get a favor done, By some obliging friend, And want a promise, safe and sure, On which you may depend, Don't go to him who always has Much leisure time to plan, But if you want your favor done, Just ask the busy man.

The man with leisure never has A moment he can spare; He's always "putting off" until His friends are in despair. But he who sees every waking hour Is crowded full of work Forgets the art of wasting time— He cannot stop to shirk.

So when you want a favor done, And want it right away, Go to the man who constantly Works twenty hours a day. He'll find a moment sure, somewhere That has no other use, And fix you up while the idle man Is framing an excuse.

HOUSEHOLD SCRAP BOOK

By ROBERTA LEE

Prickly Heat A remedy for prickly heat is to sponge with equal parts of vinegar and water. Dry the skin thoroughly and then powder with one part of boric acid to two parts of corn-starch.

Cleaning A Silver Purse The only satisfactory way to clean a silver purse is to remove the lining, wash the purse in hot soapsuds, rub with any good silver polish, and then polish with lamols.

Smoothing Iron A broken phonograph record can be smoothed by placing it on a flat surface and passing a hot iron over it.

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Mr. J. F. B. Livesay, of Toronto, general manager of the Canadian Press for Canada, Mrs. Livesay and the Misses Dorothy and Silphie, who are guests at Mr. W. A. Graham's, Bay View. Mr. Livesay is the "big man" in Canadian journalism, to whose organizing ability and fine journalistic instinct, the success of the Canadian Press as a news gathering and distributing organization is to a great extent due. He is a man of vision and resourcefulness in whom the newspaper world of Canada have every confidence. Mrs. Livesay has also a more than Canadian reputation as a writer. She is a great authority on the Near East of Europe and is particularly well-informed on Balkan affairs, "the storm centre" of Europe, on which she has written in leading magazines. In addition, Mrs. Livesay is a novelist, whose stories have always more or less of an historical bent. It is interesting to record that Mr. and Mrs. Livesay's interest in the Maritimes is not only as a holiday resort, but as a centre of education, for Miss Livesay will enter as a student at Dalhousie University in the coming session.

Another visitor to Cavendish is Mrs. Ewen Macdonald (Miss Lucy Maud Montgomery) the distinguished novelist, who has made the district famous by her "Green Gables" stories. Mrs. Macdonald and Mr. and Mrs. Livesay are intimately acquainted, and there have been great "foregatherings" at the shore during their present visit — nights of story-telling which will long be remembered by those privileged to be present.

The tea hostesses at the Golf Links this afternoon are Mrs. W. S. Grant, Mrs. J. A. S. Bayer, Mrs. W. T. L. Prowse, Mrs. W. P. Taylor.

Mrs. Guy Johnson of Montreal is summing at Keppoch.

Congratulations and praise are due the editorial staff and contributors of the "Olla Podrida," the official publication of the Halifax Ladies' College, which has just been published. Glancing through its pages one finds interesting articles, poems and photographs. The editors are: Charlotte Scouler, Isabella Wood, Elinor McKay, Elizabeth Rowan Legg, Dorothy Gordon, Gwen Curry, Christine Dawe, Allison Watson and others.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Charskee, of New York, arrived in the city on Thursday in their private car to enjoy a holiday here and in Souris. Mrs. Charskee, formerly Miss P. Davies, is very pleasantly remembered in musical circles here, and is being cordially welcomed by her numerous relatives and friends.

Mrs. Stewart, wife of Judge W. S. Stewart, left yesterday for the Cox Hotel, Souris.

Mrs. H. T. Prowse is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. G. Campbell in New Glasgow, N.S.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Campbell are among the visitors summing in Crapaid this season.

Mrs. Carol Livingstone and two children, and Miss Louise Lyons have arrived from Plattsburg, N. Y., on a visit to Mrs. C. Lyons.

Blue predominates in the famous gardens of the royal estate at Sandringham, England. The Queen is particularly fond of that color, and plants with blue blossoms of all shades are blooming there, including immense beds of lupins.

The young ladies serving tea at the Tennis Courts this afternoon are Miss Jean Millar, Miss Ethel Messervy, Miss Mima Wright, Miss Margaret McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Peterson are leaving by motor today for Ottawa, where they will attend the Poultry Congress and later visit Mr. Peterson's home in Montreal. They will be accompanied as far as Moncton by Mrs. Dixon, of Vancouver, who will visit through New Brunswick before returning here.

Admiral of the Fleet Earl and Countess Jellicoe gave a dance recently at 80 Portland Place, London, in celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, and also in honor of their daughters, Lady Gwendoline and Lady Myrtle Jellicoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Squires and little son, who have been visiting Mrs. Squires' mother, Mrs. Blenkhorn, and renewing old friendships, left yesterday on return to their home in Maplewood, New Jersey. They came by motor accompanied by Miss Cookson, granddaughter of Mrs. S. F. Hodgson, and greatly enjoyed the trip and visit here.

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Travelling Funds THESE are easily and safely carried in the form of Travellers' Cheques, issued by this Bank and accepted the world over. THE identification cards issued with them render them both safe and convenient. THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE Capital Paid Up \$20,000,000 Reserve Fund \$20,000,000 Charlottetown Branch . . . H. A. C. Scarth, Manager

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trasting color, and answer charmingly the need of a filmy wrap with the lighter summer evening and afternoon gowns. Pleated chiffon is used for some full-length capes, falling in straight lines from neck to hem, without other trimming than a ruching, rolled or ribbon band with ends in lieu of a collar.

ELIMINATION OF USELESS PEERS IS ADVOCATED LONDON, July 22.—Elimination of undesirable peers from the House of Lords is most likely when the proposed reform measures are actually made. British United Press learns following Lord Derby's denunciation of the present system which permits a peer to retain his seat in the Lords although convicted of a civil offence.

"Useless" peers, who take no interest in the country or political problems will, it is believed, also be eliminated, because among the peers themselves is a feeling that the House of Lords must now make itself useful and no longer expose itself to the ridicule which has been heaped upon it in recent years.

With this end in view, peers are at present trying among themselves to find a basic agreement for the proposed reform measures, following Premier Baldwin's announcement that the Government's suggestions were made merely to provoke discussion of the subject and to stimulate ideas.

Marriage Madness "How did the Smiths' wedding off?" "Fine, until the parson asked the bride if she'd only obey her husband."

"What happened then?" "Well, for a long time they think they were married, and then they found out they weren't."