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DEATHS

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LONDON, Eng., April 22.—Sir Thomas Lipton is having two Shamrock IVs built. This accounts for the great success which has been observed at the yards, where they are being built. In June the new yacht will be tried against the present Shamrock IV, and the result of those contests will settle which one will be sent across the Atlantic to lift the America's Cup.

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DIARY OF EVENTS

TODAY.

City Magistrate's Court, 9 a. m.
Charlottetown Lawn Tennis Club, meeting, Y. M. C. A., 7.30 p. m.
Charlottetown Curling Club, meeting, City Court Room, 8 p. m.
Prince Edward Theatre, 7.15 p. m. and 9 p. m.
People's Theatre, 7.30 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Fourth Regt. (Third Battery) Smoker, Armouries, 8.30 p. m.

PROTECTING THE WEAK

The able appeal made by Dr. S. R. Jenkins in the Legislature for medical inspection of school children must surely bear fruit. The time has long passed when such inspection was looked upon as an experiment. Most advanced communities the world over have had systematic inspections in operation for ten or more years and in Scotland it is part of the law which governs grant to public elementary schools are made. Indeed, the authorities have gone farther, and in England and Wales from the first of this month, and in Scotland from the first of May, an Act entitled the Mental Deficiency Act goes into operation, which is second to none placed in recent times upon any statute-book. It gives effect, with some variations, to the recommendations of a remarkably strong Royal Commission originally appointed in 1894. Its report revealed a condition of extreme gravity, alike in town and country districts. It said in part:

"We find large numbers of persons who are committed to prisons for repeated offences which, being the manifestations of a permanent defect of mind, there is no hope of repressing, much less of stopping, by short punitive sentences. We find lunatic asylums crowded with patients who do not require the careful hospital treatment that well-equipped asylums now afford, and who might be treated in many other ways more economically and as efficiently. We find, also, at large in the population many mentally defective persons—adults, young persons, and children who are, some, in one way, some in another, incapable of self-control, and who are therefore exposed to constant moral danger themselves, and become the source of lasting injury to the community."

It is this large miscellaneous section of defectives which the new law seeks to protect and control for the benefit of those unfortunates themselves, as well as for that of others. Under the Act power is given to place an idiot or imbecile in an institution at the instance of parents or guardians; and this may be done at the instance of a parent in the case of a "defective," not an idiot or imbecile, if under 21 years. To prevent possible abuses, the certificates of two duly qualified medical practitioners are required, and in the case of those who are not idiots or imbeciles a certificate must be signed, after inquiry, by a "judicial authority." It may be set in motion by a petition at the instance of any relative or friend of the "defective" or by an officer of the local authority (that is, the county or borough council); and precautions are taken to guard against an order being obtained upon insufficient evidence or for some sinister object. Very often mental infirmity comes to light in the course of criminal proceedings, in which case the Judge himself may take action; he may direct an inquiry or he may make such order as the judicial authority under the Act would have made. The working of one set on in this connection will need to be carefully watched.

"Where it appears to the police authority that any person charged with an offence in a defective, they shall communicate with the local authority, and it shall be the duty of the police authority to bring before the Court such evidence as to his mental condition as may be available."

It may readily be gathered from this that the liberty of the subject might be endangered, and it will be interesting to watch how the police in the old land, a highly efficient body generally enjoying the confidence of the public, exercises these unusually great powers.

But apart from the delegation of those special powers to the police, the governing body, in central authority is a Board of Control, consisting of not more than 15 members, invested with large powers as to the supervision, protection, and control of "defectives"; as to the administration by local authorities of their functions; and also, as to certifying

FALCONWOOD HOSPITAL REPORT

The annual report of the Falconwood Hospital and Provincial Infirmary for the past year has just been issued. The year closed with a population of 270 patients in the Hospital, an increase of 9 over the previous year. A sad feature of the report is the following quoted from the Superintendent: "The close of each year leaves our resident population a little larger in number, making the demand for increased accommodation more urgent." In this connection the Superintendent suggests that, if no other adequate provision is made, the attic be fitted up, which would give room for 45 more patients, at an estimated cost of \$1,000. In the Infirmary there were 100 patients at the beginning of the year, and 31 admitted during the year, making a total of 131. Of these 32 were removed or died, leaving a total of 99 in residence at the close of the year. The Falconwood Farm report shows the value of products for the year to have been \$8,770.97; expenses of farm \$1,914.16, leaving the net value of products sold, \$6,856.81. The total value of horses, cattle, swine, farming machinery and utensils is \$6,330.25.

THE McNEILL CO., EXPLAIN

Sir—In a recent edition of your paper attention is rightly called to a notice that appeared in the columns of the Montreal Herald.

The writer immediately communicated with the editorial department of the Herald regarding the erroneous facts therein contained and they in return published a notice consisting of absolute facts in this connection issue now on file in this office. The notice was simply another evidence of wild exaggeration in the mind of an ambitious local scoundrel, who evidently had the best of intentions. It is quite possible that he had, in the course of reference to exchange papers, gleaned information to warrant the assertions made; as proof, we would call your attention to the article on page 21 of your issue dated Dec. 28th, 1913, wherein reference is made to the possible price of a pair of breeders being \$100,000.00 and Silver Black Fox pelts being worth \$5,000.00 each etc.

These facts being published in your medium were evidently overlooked in the article which took such exception to the Herald's small notice.

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(Our correspondent refers to the article reproduced from the Boston Journal. There is a marked distinction between writing "it seems possible with the depletion of the fur-bearing animals the time will come when a SILVER BLACK fox pelt will be worth \$5,000," and a pelt calculated to induce people to part with their money claiming that "a BLACK fox pelt is rapidly approaching \$8,000 in value." As we said, and as our correspondent admits we were justified in stating, "such erroneous facts" give financiers and thoughtful people the idea that the fox business is a "wild cat" speculation. Ed C. G.)

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BODY FOUND ON SHORE.

PIGTOU, April 22.—The body of Colin McKenzie, missing since Nov. 1913, was found on the shore last evening. It is a young man through the hair.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

(Continued from page 1.)

A DIFFERENT ATTITUDE

That was not the attitude of the present Government when they were in opposition. They urged what should be done for the development of our industries and they pointed out how the Government were sleeping on their rights. The development of the oyster industry was one of the many that they urged upon them. In the days of the eighties Richmond Bay was literally covered with boats. Starting from Bideford coming round to Grand River, following round to lot 16, Locke's Shore Mills Point and all round clear to Malpeque, boats were on every head. In 1882 the yield of oysters from the province was 57,042 barrels and had gone down to 8,835 barrels in 1912. The decline was not a sudden thing. If the late Government had had the cause of the fishermen at heart, as they pretended, why did they not make a move to provide a remedy for this decline. No; that never showed any ability to grapple with the question. They were perfectly powerless to help the fishermen, the dealers or the finances of the province. The present Government adopted the method of leasing which had been in vogue for years in every other oyster-producing country. These countries all experienced much misadventure and opposition at first, but when it appeared that the industry was advancing by leaps and bounds under the leasehold system all opposition died away. When they saw Rhode Island deriving a revenue last year of \$133,000 with only 20,000 oysters, when the value of its oyster production was almost \$1,000,000 and when over half million dollars was paid annually in wages surely they should not object to the introduction of such a system here? It would mean better opportunities for our fishermen and better times for the whole province. (Applause.)

SATISFACTORY FINANCES

Mr. FEEHAN said he wished to congratulate the Government on the success they had achieved in bringing the finances of the country to the state in which they found it at present. They should rejoice at the fact that they had a surplus, and should give to the Government the credit which was due to them for this happy circumstance. The general questions had been pretty well gone over and he would just say a few remarks in regard to the farmers of this country. It had often been stated that the farmers of Prince Edward Island were back numbers. But this fact must never be forgotten, that it was the farmer who was keeping up the country, and the country was prospering; therefore the farmer should be congratulated. It was the farmer who supported the city; it was he who helped to build up the country; he was the one who opened the country; he was the one who let the conditions and they should be made to feel that their importance was recognized and appreciated. (Applause.)

MR. BUNTAIN'S REMARKS

Mr. J. H. BUNTAIN said he had been customary to congratulate the leader of the Government on the success of his administration and on this occasion he would congratulate the country on having at the head of affairs a gentleman whose ability, associated with that of his colleagues, had placed the province in probably the proudest position in which it had been in the history of the country. (Cheers.) They recognised the fact that in years gone by the province was scarcely looked upon as a province; it was rather looked down upon by the other provinces of the great Dominion. Today, however, the scene was changed and they found that opportunities were developing which never existed in the history of the province; and it was only natural for them to ask the reason why. Before, there seemed to have been always a shortage of money; but two years ago the people saw fit to make a change in the management of the affairs of the province; they looked upon it as an absolute necessity, and he would venture to say that the change had met with the approval of every man and woman in the country. The substantial sum of \$100,000 that had come to the province through the instrumentality of the present Government had been of considerable benefit; and the question arose, why did the Liberal Party not succeed in obtaining it? It seemed to the speaker that the only reason was that there was not enough influence behind the Liberal Legislators to get this money, and consequently the province suffered. But today the country was on the road to prosperity, and the great reason for that seemed to lie in the one word, organization. They were organized in every way. The Department of Agriculture had received a large grant, by means of which the farmers of the country were helped to raise the standard of their farms, their stock, and everything in a way not accomplished before. The Commissioner of Agriculture had formed associations which the people were recognizing and taking full advantage of.

A GOOD ROAD SYSTEM

With reference to the matter of roads, the speaker thought the system now in vogue a very good one. Wherever there was a good road master the system was almost perfect; but as the Commissioner of Public Works had occasionally not all masters were occasionally not all that could be desired. As there were certain sections of his part of the country which were to the people what Broadway would be to New York, he hoped the day would come when the people of the province would receive from Ottawa sufficient to make the roads permanent. The oyster industry, he thought, would shortly be one of the greatest industries of the Island. With regard to agriculture, the farmers had bought fertilizers and placed them on their soil and in some cases the fertilized soil produced crops abundantly while in other cases there was no appreciable advantage. Why? It was because the farmers were not sufficiently educated in the conditions of their

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Mr. J. S. MARTIN was the next speaker, and prefaced his remarks by drawing the attention of the House to the circumstances that there was not a member of the Opposition present; he did not think that had ever occurred before. (Laughter.) He was glad to be a supporter of the Government that had done such work as they had been able to show they had accomplished during the short years they had been in power. He held in his hands the External Auditor's report and he found by that that our debt had been reduced by nearly \$25,000. Their friends of the Opposition said that it was quite easy to do that because they had got \$100,000 added to their treasury. But why did not the Opposition do it? It was quite as easy for them to have got it as for the present Government, as their Party had been in power for twenty years. Perhaps he would join the Opposition's memory a little on that point, and would give them some reasons why they could not do it. Mr. Martin then read from a paper published in April 1907, wherein Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the leader of the Liberal Party at Ottawa, had stated in reference to the readjustment of the subsidies of the Province that when this readjustment had taken place it was made clear to the Province that was a final settlement and that no other claims would be recognized whatever. That was, in effect, that the Liberal Party here would not be able to get any more from Ottawa, but they kept in power by promising at election time that they would do better next time. From year to year, however, they went on better words, until at last there was a deficit facing the Province of \$1,072,930—nearly a dollar for every acre in the Province. And that was the reason why the Liberal party were today where they were. The leader of the Opposition had stated there that the people were very intelligent and that in a short time the opportunity would come when they would place the Conservatives where the Liberals were now. Because it was that the people were intelligent that they found the Liberals where they were today, with only two left of the great Liberal Party (Applause). Our people were as intelligent as could be found in any part of Canada, in fact in the United States as well, and they knew what was good for them. They had been suffering long enough under the late Government to appreciate, as he was sure they did,

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especially the farmers, the efforts put forth by the present Government to better their position. It would be a long day indeed before the Liberal party got into power again.

A STATEMENT INCREDIBLE.

With regard to the road question, another statement of the Leader of the Opposition was that he thought that this Province had never had worse roads than they had since this Government came into power. The speaker did not believe that statement, and he did not believe that there was one man in this Island that believed it unless it be a few radical adherents of the Liberal Party that were opposed to the Government. He had been told by some of the leading Liberals that the Road Act enforced by that party was what put them out of power, and it would be the same thing that would put the present party out of power unless they changed the Act. On the contrary, everyone he knew was satisfied with the Road Act as the present Government had constructed it. Under this Act if a poor man could not pay his portion of the work himself, and it was far easier for a great many to put in a day's work on the road than pay a dollar out of their pockets for that purpose. And further, every district knew what was being done with the money that was spent in the district. There was considerable more to be done on the roads, and if they had received that grant that the Federal Parliament was going to

give them which they blocked in the Senate—they knew why—road work could have been found for it in improving their roads, and especially in making them permanent works. Now the matter of motor trucks has been brought up; and if they had got that money from the Dominion Government it could be very usefully spent in building up the roads for the use of those trucks, which if they were a success would be used in a great many sections of the country—he knew of many places in his own district where they could be used to advantage.

EFFORTS APPRECIATED.

With respect to education, and what the present Government had done for its advancement, he knew that every teacher and every parent who had sacrificed time and labour in the struggle to put their pupils and children through College would greatly appreciate the efforts made by the present Government to raise the salaries of the teachers and the tone of the education of the Province and he hoped that it would be found possible to give the teachers an even further increase of salary. Regarding agriculture, he did not think it necessary to say anything on that point, as if the subject had been ably dealt with by those speakers who had gone before. (Applause.)

CONDITION OF ESTIMATES.

The motion, that the House go into Committee to consider the supply (Continued on page 3.)

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