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TRADE WITH WEST INDIES

There is much to hope for in the prospective trade with the British West Indies. The Royal Bank of Canada's August letter recalls that under the Canada-West Indies Trade Agreement of 1913 certain of the southern colonies of Great Britain granted a preference of 20% to Canada on a specified list of articles. By the agreement in 1920, all the British Colonies of the West Indies as well as British Guiana and British Honduras granted a preference ranging from 10 to 50 per cent of the duties imposed. The preference applied to all Canadian products except a few articles specially provided for. Canada reciprocated by giving to most West Indian products a preference of 50 per cent of the duties imposed by the Canadian general tariff schedule.

This mutual agreement had a distinct success. From these countries Canada bought commodities to the value of 10 million dollars in 1913. By 1924 the annual purchases had risen to a value of twenty-two million dollars, while our sales had grown from a value of thirteen million dollars during the same period. In the Conference of 1920, Barbados, British Guiana, Trinidad and Tobago agreed to make the rate on Canadian goods not more than 50% of the rate in their general tariff. British Honduras and the Leeward and Windward Islands made the Canadian rate not more than 66-2/3% of their general rate, while the Bahamas and Jamaica made their rate for Canadian goods not more than seventy-five per cent of the general rate.

In the Conference this year it was not necessary for Canada to make many new tariff concessions because the former flat rate was quite satisfactory to the islands. While the new concessions granted by the islands do not include any substantial change in their general rates, yet the preferences granted on many specific articles are so generous as to give Canada virtual control of the market, so far as Canada's most important products are concerned. Perhaps the most important arrangements are those concerning transportation for which ample provision has been made. The islands contribute £29,000 yearly for this service while the Canadian government has undertaken to provide a fortnightly service the year round from Canadian ocean ports calling at all the islands and with ample passenger and freight accommodation, also refrigerator and cold storage for such commodities going and coming, as may need them.

ENGLISH HUMOUR

In the sedate British House of Commons occasions sometimes arise for a little sidestepping from the more serious duties of statesmanship. The other day certain amendments to "The Performing Animals Bill" proposed by the House of Lords, were under consideration. Brigadier General Cockerill, who was in charge of the Bill is reported by a London paper as follows:—He said that with one exception these amendments were drafting in character. The exception was one which proposed to leave out the provision that the word "animal" included "bird, reptile, and fish." This amendment was deliberately intended to exclude the performing flea, which appeared to have no friends in the House of Lords. (Laughter.) The flea could jump 30 times its own height; and displayed the greatest alacrity in rising in its place. He should have thought that that quality would have commended the performing flea to the Liberal

Party, but no member of that party attended to help this hard case. (Laughter.) The flea could also support 80 times its own weight. It was the most persistent and wonderful worker in the world, and was absolutely independent of the capitalist. He would have supposed that this would endear the flea to the Labour Party. (Laughter.) But neither from the Labour nor from the Liberal benches in the other House was a hand extended to help the flea. (Laughter.) The noble lord who led the vendetta against the flea in the House of Lords was Mr. Speaker's predecessor in the Chair (Viscount Ullswater). He trusted there was nothing in the Chair that was responsible for the ferocity—almost—with which that noble lord pursued the flea. (Laughter.) Had it been the Woolsack there might have been something in it. (Laughter.) As he had no desire to precipitate a conflict between the two Houses in regard to the performing flea he proposed to accept the amendment. (Laughter.) The House agreed to all the Lords' amendments.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A certain class of politicians think that any good word said about the roads now is a reflection on the Bell government.

The week-end was more than ordinarily pleasantly spent, motor parties, picnics, seaside wanderings and swimming being the order of the day.

The Road Commissions, by their constant watchfulness over the roads in their respective districts, and the prompt attention given wherever necessary, have already worked wonders in improving and maintaining the roads. In any case the roads have never, at this season of the year, been in as good condition as they are at present.

And now we enter upon Autumn. The first two months, August and September, are usually among our pleasantest months although they carry with them regrettable evidences of the passing of summer. The month of September with its new colour blendings is regarded by many as the most beautiful months of the year and we have this still to look forward to, also Christmas.

Among many interesting articles in the current issue of the Dalhousie Review there are at least two of outstanding merit, namely, "The Irish Boundary Question" by J. W. Good, and "Mussolini and Fascism" by John Murray. Both are interesting and informative as also are a number of other articles. The Dalhousie Review is worthy of and entitled to a place in every Canadian home for it is a Canadian Magazine of which Canada may well be proud. Since its first issue it has studiously avoided trashy literature. Every article in every issue is well worth reading.

The attention of the police and of the Caretaker is again directed to the fact that certain autoists are flagrantly violating the regulations prohibiting the driving of cars on Victoria Park. Everyone knows that the park is open to automobiles only as far as the Band Stand, thence out to Brighton Road. West of this road is reserved especially for those who wish to give their young children an airing. There have recently been several narrow escapes from auto accidents as the danger is all the greater because cars are not expected on the Park Road. The caretaker, or any one else, should get the number of the offending cars and promptly report them

Notes By The Way

There was for a time some doubt but it is now announced that the government of Nova Scotia will join with the governments of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island in paying the cost of getting an expert to prepare the case for the Maritime Provinces in regard to freight rates to be placed before the Railway Commission. The Western Provinces realize what it means to have their case prepared promptly and skillfully and it would not be prudent for the Maritimes to take any chances on slipshod work. Unfortunately an unnamed expert whom they all desired to engage cannot be secured and another choice must be made from among a number of names now under consideration.

In the matter of the sensational arraignment of the St. John Telegraph-Journal by Attorney General Rand, that newspaper defines its position in relation to hydro-electric development at Grand Falls. The Telegraph-Journal was committed to support the government's plan of development provided it were first approved by the people, and not otherwise. Premier Veniot had promised not to expend a dollar on the project until it had been submitted to and approved by the people. That has not been done. The Government is going forward with the work without consulting the people.

The Telegraph-Journal goes on to say:

"Strong pressure was exerted in behalf of each party to persuade this journal to espouse its cause. It was decided not to adopt a partisan attitude, but to present the opposing claims as given by leaders and candidates of both parties and let the people decide. This paper is quite content to trust the people."

The people will a week hence decide the fate of the hydro project and of the Veniot Government. Whether in the interim there shall be a further interchange of compliments between the Attorney General and the St. John newspapers time will tell. The public gained by the episode some valuable and reliable information as to Veniot Government methods. It proved to be a damaging exposure for the Government and especially so for the Premier and Mr. Rand.

It cannot help Mr. Rand in his candidature in Albert County, which lies just across the river

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Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

BETTER THAN SILVER AND GOLD—Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content. 1 Timothy 6: 6, 7, 8.

PRAYER—O Lord, we thank Thee that when we have Thee we have all and abound.

ROUGH DIAMONDS
 Remember, friends, in smiling self-control, When churlish manners mar the day's enjoyment. That roughness often masks a splendid soul, And beam upon the boor with bland indulgence.

That crowning, jostling pest, the railway hog
 In scientific social nomenclature, is altogether lovely to his dog. Which proves, as all agree, a noble nature.

That lifty clerk whose tongue is like a knife,
 Who sneers and scowls and seems inclined to bite you,
 Is quite another person with his wife;
 His humbleness would certainly delight you.

And he who rolls away a fishy eye
 Because your simple question makes him weary,
 How he may strive to find the just reply
 To fit his own dear offspring's wildest query!
 His ends

While he who driving on to gain
 Will brush you off without the least compunction—
 May he not be a joy to all his friends,
 Belike the very life of every function?

Then hold in mind the truth that even these
 Who bear you down are also men
 and brothers.
 Reflecting, while they tread upon
 your toes
 How sweet and kind perhaps they are to others.
 —Arthur Gutterman, in Saturday Evening Post.

Text of Bryan's Evolution Speech

Following is the text of the late William Jennings Bryan's speech against evolution written for the Scopes trial but not delivered owing to the dispensing with closing arguments:
 Demosthenes, the greatest of ancient orators, in his "oration on the crown," the most famous of his speeches, began by supplicating the favor of all the gods and goddesses of Greece. If, in a case which involved only his own fame and fate, he felt justified in petitioning the heathen gods of his country, surely we, who deal with the momentous issues involved in this case, may well pray to the Ruler of the universe for wisdom to guide us in the performance of our several parts in this historic trial.
 Let me, in the first place, congratulate our cause that circumstances have committed the trial to a community like this and entrusted the decision to a jury made up largely of the yeomanry of the State. The book in issue in this trial contains in its first page two pictures contrasting the disturbing noises of a great city with the calm serenity of the country. It is a tribute that rural life has fully earned.
 I appreciate the sturdy honesty and independence of those who come into daily contact with the earth, who, living near to nature, worship nature's God, and who, dealing with the myriad mysteries of earth and air, seek to learn from revelation about the Bible's wonder-working God.

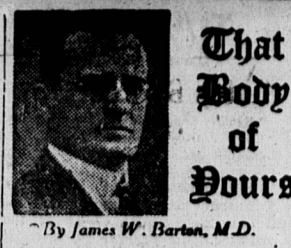
Quotes Scottish Bard.
 I admire the stern virtues, the vigilance and the patriotism of the class from which the jury is drawn, and am reminded of the lines of Scotland's immortal bard, which, when changed but slightly, describes your country's confidence in you:

O Scotia, my dear, my native soil,
 For whom my warmest wish to Heaven is sent,
 Long may thy hardy sons of rustic toil
 Be blest with health, and peace,
 And sweet content!
 And oh, may Heav'n their simple lives prevent
 From luxury's contagion, weak and vile!
 Then, however crowns and coronets be rent,
 A virtuous populace may rise
 And stand, a wall of fire, around
 Their much-loved isle!

Let us now separate the issues from the misrepresentations, intentional or unintentional, that have obscured both the letter and the purpose of the law. This is not an interference with freedom of conscience. A teacher can think as he pleases and worship God as he likes, or refuse to worship God at all. He can believe in the Bible or discard it; he can accept Christ or reject Him. This law places no obligations or restraints upon him. And so with freedom of speech, he can, so long as he acts as an individual, say anything he likes on any subject. This law does not violate any rights guaranteed by any Constitution to any individual. It deals with the defendant, not as an individual, but as an employe, an official or public servant, paid by the State, and therefore under instructions from the State.

The right of the State to control the public schools is affirmed in the recent decision in the Oregon case, which declares that the State can direct what shall be taught and also forbid the teaching of anything "manifestly inimical to the public welfare." The above decision goes even further and declares that the parent not only has the right to guard the religious welfare of the child, but is in duty bound to guard it. That decision fits this case exactly. The State had a right to pass this law and the law represents the determination of the parents to guard the religious welfare of their children.

Denies Law Originated in Bigotry
 It need hardly be added that this law did not have its origin in bigotry. It is not trying to force any form of religion on anybody. The majority is not trying to establish a religion or to teach it; it is trying to protect itself from the effort of an insolent minority to force irreligion upon the children under the guise of teaching science. What right has a little irresponsible oligarchy of self-styled "intellectuals" to demand control of the schools of the United States, in which twenty-five millions of children are being edu-



By James W. Barton, M.D.

A TWOFOLD HELP

I talk about the value of the sun to all mankind. It means growth and life to every living thing, whether animal or plant. It actually penetrates the tissues, and brings about cell changes that are of paramount importance to the body.
 One of the big things that has been discovered in recent years is that the sun is a cure for rickets, that bone softening ailment that has caused such unsightly deformities in the past. And now an investigator, Dr. Mantle, Portland, Oregon, reminds us that cod liver oil has the same effect, due to the actual "radiations" from the oil, which are similar to those of the sun.

It is the vitamin A, the fat soluble vitamin in cod liver oil, that is responsible for the growth of tissue. He points out that animals deprived of this vitamin. A development of the respiratory tract, and that animals fed with an adequate amount of fat soluble A, were able to ward off certain types of infections that developed in other similar animals not so protected. In other words then, the cod liver oil, the fat soluble A, not only builds up the tissues, but actually has the power to counter-act or kill off the infective organisms in the body. However he goes a step further, and states that if too much of this be taken, its power to destroy organisms becomes lost, and these animals then suffer as do those which have taken none at all.
 And when we think about it, we realize that while the sun is good to us, by building up our tissues, and rendering infective organisms powerless, it also can be a source of danger to us if we get too much of it.

The sun can actually stop all the workings of the body temporarily, and render you powerless, if you get too much of it.
 It is wonderful when you think about it, that this most useful preparation is found in the liver of cod fish, captured at the time of year when it is richest in this life giving life saving element, fat soluble A.
 It just makes us wonder if there aren't a great many more things that could be of great use to us if we keep on looking for them.

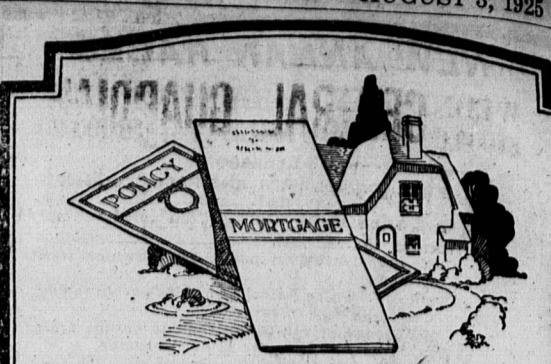
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 The statute is brief and free from ambiguity. It prohibits the teaching, in the public schools, of "any theory that denies the story of divine creation as taught in the Bible" and teaches, "instead, that man descended from a lower order of animals."
 The first sentence sets forth the purpose of those who passed the law. They forbid the teaching of any evolutionary theory that disputes the Bible record of man's creation and, to make sure that there shall be no misunderstanding, they place their own interpretation on their language and specifically forbid the teaching of any theory that makes man a descendant of any lower form of life.

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