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It would pay some of us to ponder more on the thought of Carlyle: "The greatest of faults is to be conscious of none."

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## PREMIER BAXTER ADDRESSES CANADIAN CLUB OF NEW YORK

### Maritimes Have Ceased To Be Hewers Of Wood And Drawers Of Water For Rest Of Dominion, He Declares. — "We Ask Nothing Better Than Equal Status And Will Take Nothing Less," Says N. B. Premier.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9. — The Maritimes, "a new light and a time Province of Canada have good one," he thought. In former years, he said, too drawers of water for the rest of the Dominion, are beginning to stand on their own feet, and are going to win through to the rest of the Dominion. He declared Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Prime Minister of New Brunswick, provinces, to which the Maritimes in addressing the Canadian Club of New York at a dinner given in his honor here last night.

Hon. Mr. Baxter was introduced by W. W. Colpitts, President of the Club, who is a native of Moncton, N. B.

The Premier discounted talk of separation in the Maritime Provinces. While there had been such talk, he said, preceding the recent recognition by the other provinces of the economic plight of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, the vast majority of people in the Maritime Provinces did not favor such a move. Separatist talk only created a movement for a stronger union of the Dominion to secure for the provinces by the sea the equality of justice and of status to which they were entitled under the confederation pact.

"We ask nothing better than an equal status, and will take nothing less," he added.

Another Happy Step Forward.

Hon. Mr. Baxter attributed the change of attitude on the part of the rest of Canada to the Maritime Provinces to successful propaganda. The campaign of education in the public schools and newspapers throughout the country expressing the desire for national unity in the jubilee year of confederation was another happy step forward. He recalled the declarations of Premier Ferguson of Ontario and Premier Taschereau of Quebec, who took the lead in publicly affirming their desire to give the Maritime Provinces a fair share of the country's prosperity while asking nothing for themselves. Every Premier from Manitoba to British Columbia followed with similar declarations. Soon the plea of the Maritime Provinces for adequate national support and lower freight rates became the subject of a Royal Commission's investigation and recommendations of the commission were being carried out. Political changes had occurred in the Maritime Provinces and the eyes of the rest of the country had been upon them.

Criticism National Railways

Discussing the twenty percent decrease in freight rates recommended by the Duncanson Royal Commission, and enacted by the Federal Parliament, the Premier criticized the Canadian National Railways, which he said, had put into effect only a 16 percent reduction.

"The National Railways think it is more powerful than parliament," Hon. Mr. Baxter said, "and must be taught a salutary lesson. We will take nothing less than parliament has given us and will not be satisfied with what the C.N.R. considers a dose."

The Premier attributed a great deal of potential prosperity of the Maritime Provinces to their repudiation of "intense politics," an earnest effort was now being made to get all political parties to work for the benefit of the Maritime

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## Three Banks Robbed Loot Totals \$29,000

(Canadian Press)  
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 9. — Three banks were robbed in Kansas and Oklahoma this morning. Loot totalling about \$29,000 was carried off without a hitch and the robbers escaped without a shot being fired.

## LAUDS STEPS TAKEN BY CONSERVATISM

### Sentiment in Quebec Has Reacted Most Favorably Declares Senator L'Esperance, Montreal Publisher.

(Special to the Guardian)  
TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 9. — Sentiment in Quebec as understood by Senator D. O. L'Esperance, publisher of La Patrie in Montreal, has reached most favorably to the two notable steps which Conservatism has recently taken in the federal and provincial fields, namely the selection of Hon. Mr. Bennett as dominion leader and the abolition of regulation 17 in the schools of Ontario.

In the latter policy particularly does Senator L'Esperance consider an important gesture to have been made for better understanding between the two great races of Canada, whose unity and harmony are essential if true nationality is to be achieved.

Senator L'Esperance, who is one of the leading Conservatives of Quebec province is unusually favorably situated in his post of newspaper publisher to gauge the feeling in his native province. He has been staying in Toronto for the past few days at the King Edward Hotel, and when interviewed yesterday he was not only hopeful for Conservative prospects in Quebec under Hon. Mr. Bennett's leadership but also keenly enthused for the outlook for a greater national unity as a result of the educational policy of Hon. Mr. Ferguson.

In Quebec as well as in Ontario he said there were extremists who made the language issue one upon which to gain cheap and insincere notoriety. He did not consider such persons as at all representative or as requiring to be seriously considered. In addition to them, however there was a large body of the citizenship who were simply uninformed upon the issue and with regard to the people he believed some program of education to be necessary both by means of government conferences to promote better understanding and by means of the press.

"The great body of public opinion in both Quebec and Ontario how," Senator L'Esperance believed, "was essentially sane realizing not only the need for racial unity to the prosperity of Canada but realizing as well that such unity could only be brought about by fairness of policy and by give and take on both sides."

The people of Ontario he understood had no desire to see their language superseded by any other. The people of Quebec for their part desired to have their mother tongue preserved, believing that it had a right to survive and that it was in the interests of a united Canada that it should do so. At the same time such survival was not wanted at the expense of English, French speaking parents realized the necessity for the English language to be learned by their children, and simply asked that they be given the privilege of learning their mother tongue as well.

## East Buys British Columbia Apples

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Dec. 9. — Eastern provinces bought British Columbia apples extensively this year. F. M. Black, chairman of the committee of direction of the B. C. growers, gave the following shipments in boxes to the tariff board today: Ontario 175,000; Quebec 93,125; New Brunswick 9,003; Nova Scotia 2,310; Prince Edward Island 2,250. Newfoundland took 15,000 boxes.

## De Lesseps Funeral On Tuesday

(Canadian Press)  
QUEBEC, Dec. 9. — The funeral of Count Jacques De Lesseps, famous Canadian aviator, who was lost nearly two months ago while making a flight from Gaspé to Val Parisis and whose body was washed ashore on the Newfoundland coast Sunday last, will take place on Tuesday morning at Gaspé.

## WHAT OF THE CHILDREN SANTA CLAUS FORGETS?

### An Appeal to the Readers of The Guardian to do Something to Gladden the Hearts of Those Children Who are Expecting Santa Claus, and May be Forgotten.

As usual at this season the Charlottetown Guardian opens its columns to its generous-hearted readers in order to provide for the many children of needy families who in the ordinary course of events are completely overlooked by Santa Claus when he makes his annual visit on Christmas Eve; children to whom Christmas Day is not very different from any other day in the year, except to be a little more dismal and dreary and disappointing because Santa Claus failed to bring any of that joy and happiness that is usually associated with this anniversary. It is an effort to assure for those children a little of that happiness that The Guardian now appeals to its readers.

The Charlottetown Guardian annually submitted a plan whereby with the least bother and expense any persons who wish to do so may act as Santa-Pals to one of these children. With the assistance of the clergy and responsible private citizens it has compiled a list of children and in some cases also ascertained just what Christmas present each child wants. The list with the surnames omitted and the number assigned to each child appears in this issue and will be repeated every morning minus the names of the children for whom Santa's Pals have been found. As each reader decides upon the child for whom he or she shall act as Santa he should write the Editor, or telephone 133, so that the Charlottetown Guardian

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## Would YOU Help Make Them Smile?



What's this? Tears, before Christmas time! The big brother knows there's small chance of Santa Claus ever finding them in their bleak little home, and accepts the condition philosophically. But it's too much for the baby sister to bear, so she's giving way to weeping, you can see for yourself.

These youngsters wouldn't look so sad if they knew that the Santa-Pals were going to bring them presents on Christmas Eve. There are plenty of other chances for you to dry some tears. Be a Santa-Pal.

## IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

This question was raised by a young correspondent of a New York Journal several years ago, and was satisfactorily and finally disposed of by the reply of the Editor.

### THE QUESTION:

Dear Mr. Editor,—Is there a Santa Claus, or is it only Daddy and Mum making believe? I want to know 'cause my brothers say that fellows in their grades tell them there is no Santa, and that fathers and mothers and friends fill our stockings when we go to sleep. Please, Mr. Editor, do tell me if Santa Claus is real or only make-believe.

Your Little Friend,  
VIRGINIA.

### THE ANSWER:

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would the world be if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childish faith, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men see.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest men of a century could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance can push aside the curtain and view the glory beyond.

Is it all real? Ah, Virginia! In all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia—nay, ten thousand times ten thousand years from now—he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

THE EDITOR.

## Half Brother Of Late Premier Dead

(Canadian Press)  
MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 9. — Charlemagne Laurier, 66, a half brother of the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier, died at his home here today. Mr. Laurier had been a resident of Manchester for nine years and had charge of the Canadian Government Bureau here. He resigned his position on July 1, on account of ill health.

## WILL VISIT KENYA OVER BIG DISPUTE

### Colonists There Ask Home Rule and British Bars Demands—Prince's Visit Will Likely be Official One.

LONDON, Dec. 9. — The Prince of Wales will resume his travels late in 1928, or early in 1929, visiting the Kenya Colony and other East African possessions of Great Britain, as well as Jamaica, in the British West Indies, the United Provinces learned tonight.

The arrangements have not yet passed beyond the initial stage and it has not been decided whether his tours will be official or private—as in the case of the Prince's visit to the United States and Canada—but the former is regarded as more probable.

The exciting engagements of the heir to the throne make either visit out of the question during the next six months and it is not expected that the final plans can be fixed much before the end of the next year. East Englishland and West India are among the few remaining parts of the British Empire that the Prince has not yet visited and he is understood to be eager to make personal acquaintance with them.

### SIGNIFICANCE IN PROJECT

Special interest attaches to the projected tour to Kenya in view of the strained relations between the Imperial Government and the colonists. The latter are dissatisfied with the exciting form of crown colony government and have demanded home rule, but as a result of the settlers' attitude toward the natives the British government so far ruled that its control of the territory must be maintained in order to hold the balance even between the white colonists and the negro population. The attitude of the settlers toward immigrants from India also has injected a difficulty into imperial relations.

Jamaica is another colony which holds grievances against the London government, regarding itself as a sort of Cinderella of the Empire whose commercial development has been inadequately fostered.

## S. S. Stanley Will Winter At Halifax

QUEBEC, Que., Dec. 9. — It has been definitely decided by the Marine Department authorities at Ottawa that the steamship Stanley, which conducted an important expedition to the Hudson Strait, a Quebec several weeks ago, will winter at Halifax. A complete crew has been placed on board the vessel, which is at present berthed in St. Charles River and Capt. Jules Morin has been placed in command to take the ship to the Maritime port. The order to sail is expected by Captain Morin at any moment.

## Funeral Of Late Mrs. Weston Carmody

The funeral of the late Mrs. Weston Carmody was held from her late residence, 296 Fitzroy Street on Friday, Dec. 9th. The service was held at 2 p. m. and was conducted by the Rev. H. D. Raymond.

The floral tributes were as follows:

Spray, Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Miller  
Spray, Mr. and Mrs. John McKenna and Katie  
Spray, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Downe  
Wreath, Messrs Bruce Stewart & Co., Ltd.  
Wreath, the employees of Bruce Stewart & Co., Ltd.  
Crescent, Mr. and Mrs Charles Hine  
She leaves to mourn besides a sorrowing husband, four children, namely, Heath, Dorothy, Ernest and Evelyn also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, Cape Madeline, Que., and two brothers William and Leo Saunders, Cape Madeline, Que. The pall bearers were: Harry 7.32.  
Miller, Percy Keenan, Arthur McInnis, Douglas McLeod, Charles Boyner, Reg. Cox.  
(Patriot please copy.)

## MISSSES MACNEILL AND SPENCER HEARD IN SPLENDID RECITAL

### Baptist Church Hall Packed By Large Audience Assembled To Hear Performance Of Highest Artistic Merit.

A most enjoyable and artistically rendered recital was given last night in the Baptist Church Hall by Miss Barbara MacNeill and Miss Roberta Spencer. F. T. C. L. The audience completely filled the building every nook and corner being utilized in an endeavour to seat all who came but in spite of that, many were turned away.

The programme was of a high order of artistic merit, and every number was splendidly performed. It was as follows:

Vocal Solo—"An Old Garden" Miss MacNeill  
"Hope Temple" Miss MacNeill  
Piano Solo—"Barcarolle" Godard  
Miss Spencer  
Readings—(a) "Little Joe" Miss MacNeill  
(b) "Little Bateese" H. Drummond  
Miss MacNeill  
Piano Solo—"Ballad in F. Major" Brahms  
Miss Spencer  
Vocal Solo—"Ah Je Veux Vivre" (Romeo & Juliet) Gounod  
Miss MacNeill

Reading—"Pleasant Half Hour" Field  
Miss MacNeill  
Piano Solo—"Cracovienne" Paderewski  
Miss Spencer  
Vocal Solo—(a) "Carmina" H. Wilson  
(b) "Goodbye" Tosti  
THE KING

In such a list of good things, it is hard to select any numbers for special mention; but it is possible that the reading "A Pleasant Half Hour on the Beach" and the songs "Je Veux Vivre" and Tosti's "Goodbye" as rendered by Miss MacNeill, and the Brahms "Ballad," as also the "Barcarolle" and Paderewski's "Cracovienne" played by Miss Spencer met with greatest favor, though the audience enjoyed every number as evinced by enthusiastic applause.

Miss MacNeill gave an encore "Daddy and Bobby" and Miss Spencer responded with Rachmaninoff's "Polichelli," both being quite up to the high standard of the programme—and no greater praise can be given.

## MARITIME BOARD OF TRADE HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The President of the Charlottetown Board of Trade, Mr. Robert Cotton returned on Thursday night from the Annual Meeting of the Maritime Board of Trade, which this year was held in St. John, N. B.

Mr. Cotton states that the Board held its sessions on Wednesday forenoon and afternoon. The meeting was brought to a most acceptable conclusion by a banquet held the same evening at the Admiral Beatty Hotel, the visiting delegates being the guests of the St. John Board of Trade.

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## Income Tax Inquiry Willingtons Depart From Washington

(Special to the Guardian).  
OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 9. — Inquiries into the operation of income tax officers at several points notably Montreal, Toronto, Regina, and Calgary are in progress under the direction of Mr. Sharps, Chief Auditor.

Treaty Registered  
With League

(Special to the Guardian)  
GENEVA, Dec. 9. — The treaty of friendship between France and Yugoslavia the signature of which was followed by a treaty of alliance between Italy and Albania, was registered with the League of Nations today.

## Parliament Will Open January 26

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 9. — Canada's parliament will be opened on Thursday, January 26, Premier Mackenzie King announced early this evening.

## 13 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

IT'S BETTER TO BE FAT IN THE BODY THAN FAT IN THE HEAD

13 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

Reserve Thursday, Dec. 22nd for West Royalty School concert and Christmas tree. 983-12-9-21

Zion Church Tea and Bazaar, December 15th. 875-12-6-51

Buying live hogs at Ennals, Dec. 12th, Monday forenoon. Everett Huslam. 974-12-9-31

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Come to Box Social in Winslow Hall Monday, Dec. 12th at 8 o'clock proceeds in aid of Highfield United Church. City talent. Admission 20c. Ladies with boxes free. If not fine, Tuesday night. 970-12-9-31

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The Ladies Social Circle of the Presbyterian Church will hold a bazaar and Chicken supper at Mrs. Sarah MacKenzies, Trebb, Thursday, Dec. 15th. Supper served from 5 to 9 p. m. 983

Borden Dramatic Club women's play entitled "Old New Hampshire Home" in the New Hall at 8 o'clock Monday night, December 12th at 8 o'clock. Admission 35c and 25c. Sale of candy. If not fine Tuesday next. 1006-12-10-