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WATER WASTE

Again our citizens are warned that too much water is being wasted in the city and that unless more care is taken additional sources of supply must be tapped or the city metered, either one of which would be a very expensive proposition and a heavy addition to our taxes.

The proper use of water is simply a matter of honesty; the improper or wasteful use is clear dishonesty. Many of our citizens use only what water is needed; they use it as sparingly as if it were being measured out to them at so much a gallon. But there are others and it is these latter who are responsible for the waste and the danger of a water famine which would be about the most serious thing that could happen the city.

The wells are sufficient to supply all the water legitimately needed by the city; they are not sufficient to permit of extravagance or waste. Let us all act honestly and carefully in this matter and so avoid further outlay on our water systems.

P. E. I. AND THE TARIFF

Liberals, in the press and on the platform, are arguing that, while protection is of benefit to the central provinces, it is an injury to the Maritimes. What do they want the people of the Maritimes to infer from this argument? Do they mean to give the impression that, if the Lberal party is returned to power, the Maritimes shall be given a special tariff schedule. This can be the only meaning of a sectional appeal of this kind. When the Liberal candidates denounce the protection tariff as an injury to Prince Edward Island, for example ask them straight "What are you going to do about it? Are you going to give Prince Edward Island and the Maritimes a different tariff chedule from that in the central provinces?" There is no other meaning to this cheap sectional appeal.

Canada can have but one tariff system. The duty on imports from foreign countries must be the same all over Canada. There is no other way and every Liberal knows this. What then?

It is admitted, the Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen admtted it, that the Maritimes, by the peculiar geographical position they occupy in the Confederation, do not derive as much benefit from protection as do the central provinces. Mr. Meighen made his position clear on this point, he committed himself and his party to a recognition of the claims of the Maritimes on this score and he proposed a remedy by way of special concessions, Premier King denied that the Maritimes had special claims for consideration. This is the position the two leaders occupy on this question and the Liberal candidates must face it.

Granting that a protective tariff is of less direct benefit to the Maritimes than to Ontario and Quebec, are the Maritimes receiving no benefit from a protective tariff? How does the present customs tariff affect the farmers of Prince Edward Island? Let us look at the duties imposed upon agricultural products by Canada and the United States respectfully and see whether the present scale of duties is fair to our farmers. Here are a few items:

U. S. duty		Canadian duty
Potatoes		
50c per 100 lbs.		35c per 100 lbs.
Wheat		
42c per bushel		12c per bushel
Wheat flour		
$2 04 per barrel		50c per barrel
$4.00 per ton	Hay	$2.00 per ton
8c. per lb.	Butter	4c per lb.
per lb.	Cheese	3c per lb.
8c per doz.	Eggs	3c per doz.
40%	Cattle	25%
100%	Woolens	27½%
55%	Silk fabrics	15%

The list might be indefinitely extended and it would show in practically everything that the farmer has to sell either to the ultimate consumer or to the factory, the product of which he must buy to live, the United States tariff is about double that of the Canadian and in many cases more than double.

The tariff, as at present, enables the American farmer to flood the Canadian market. We have seen Canadian eggs drop from 48 cents to 20 cents within a week because of the importation of American cold storage eggs; we are meeting cheap American corn-fed pork in our markets every season in competition with our more costly fed pork; we have seen the prices of many of our farm products drop because of the importation of foreign goods.

Premier King declares he will further reduce our tariff on foreign goods; Mr. Meighen declares he will raise the tariff on foreign products as high as the tariff of the foreign country producing the product.

Which is the fairer policy to the Prince Edward Island farmer? Let the Liberal candidate tell the electors where they stand on this question.

In twelve months American farmers sold to Canadian cities and towns $73,000,000 of agricultural products. In the same twelve months Canadian farmers sold to American cities and town $42,000,000 a difference of $31,000,000. This means that $31,000,000 went to American farmers which justly belonged to Canadian farmers. The reason this happened was that American products were dumped into Canada over a low tariff wall while the Americans protected their farmers with a tariff wall so high that we could get over it only at a serious loss.

We shall be told that because of the reduction of the tariff on agricultural implements the Canadian farmer gets these implements cheaper than before the duty was lowered. Does he? Let the farmers think it over. It was shown in the House of Commons last session that there was no reduction in the price of many and others were higher, and even if there had been a reduction of a few dollars in the price of an implement or a machine that lasts from ten years to a life time, what would it signify when compared with the lowered price on all our farm products every year. Let the Liberal candidates say clearly where they stand in this question. Our farmers on the 3rd of March last declared themselves on this question in a resolution unanimously passed by Liberals and Conservatives, when there was no election in sight. The farmers today are of the same opinion as in March and will stand by their resolution at that time and vote for the Meighen candidates.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Autoists, slow down at the street crossings.

Beautiful September is going out with a bad record. Perhaps October will do better. There is room for improvement.

The candidates got off to a good start last night and are now heading for the polls. All that is wanted is to give both sides a fair show. The people are in earnest this time. They were caught last time by promises that have never been fulfilled. If they are caught the second time it will be their own fault.

Notes By The Way

Register your name as a voter today! No one whose name is not on the list of voters will be permitted to vote at the election on October 29. Those who do not register forfeit one of the greatest privileges of their citizenship and lose their right to take part in electing the men who will govern the country for years to come. Today some may feel indifferent and careless and think they do not care to vote. Such persons will be very likely to change their minds on or before election day(when they see others flocking to the polls, and they will then realize their neglect. They will be free to vote, or equally free not to vote if their names are on the list.

The Conservative women of Charlottetown have organized themselves under happy auspices to take part in electing Messrs. McKinnon and Messervey in support of the coming Conservative Government. Seldom if ever have the prospects of victory been so bright. The organization of the women voters should be general and have its faithful and energetic workers in every polling division throughout the province. Organization is a vital requisite in rolling up the largest possible vote for a good cause and worthy and capable candidates.

At the approach of winter with its chilling frosts and driving storms the birds fly southward for refuge in a more genial climate. In like manner a score of Liberal Cabinet Ministers and prominent men of the party in Parliament are flying hither and thither seeking shelter from the frost and storm of the coming election. Never before in the history of Canada was there such a wholesale migration of the political birds. They evidently fear that the 29th of October will bring a killing frost for Liberal candidates.

Ten of them have lately found cozy sheiter in the Senate Chamber and others in warm offices and are now, as an Irish friend puts it "toasting their toes at the government fire." Others are retiring from the seats they held in past winters to seats in other counties where they hope the neighbors may be more friendly than they are in their present locations, and many more are sadly retiring to the seclusion of their own homes, after being notified that their services are no longer required. Out side of Quebec most of the ministers who are seeking election are "bottled up" in the constituencies to which they have fled, or are trying their chances, and so hard pressed that they dare not venture abroad.

In the election of 1921, with a House of 235 members to be elected, the Conservative party only placed 185 candidates in the field, leaving 50 seats without a straight Conservative candidate. Now there is a House of 245 to be elected and there are already 230 Conservative candidates in the field— 45 more than four years ago—and it is confidently predicted that by nomination day the number will be increased to 240.

New Brunswick has ten Senators. Of these, five, or one-half the allotment for the Province, reside in Westmorland County. Senator Pascal Poirier, appointed by the Macdonald Government in 1885 lives at Shediac, as also does Senator J. A. Macdonald, who was appointed by the Meighen Government in 1921. Senator Frank B. Black, also appointed in the same year, lives in Sackville. Senator Clifford W. Robinson, appointed by the King Government in 1924, resides in Moncton, and now, to complete the quintette the King Government has appointed Hon. A. B. Copp, who lives in Sackville. Thus the King Government appointed two more Senators in the only county of New Brunswick that had three before making a Senatorial heap that has aroused jealousy and indignation in other sections of the Province.

"Narrow Gauge Politics" was the headline over an article in a local Liberal paper the other day. It may serve as a reminder that the King Government supported by four members from Prince Edward Island, have kept nearly half our railway mileage operating on the one-horse, narrow-gauge plan. And had there been only Liberal Governments at Ottawa there would not now be a car ferry or a single mile of standard gauge railway in the Province. "Narrow gauge politics" have been Liberal politics in this Province for a generation past. That is why during the Laurier days and the King Government days our people have been compelled to use a one-horse railway which no other Province of Canada would tolerate for an hour, go at half speed in cramped-up cars and pay full price for the privilege! Is it not time for a change of gauge in both the Government and the railway?

No Province has been so neglected and maltreated as Prince Edward Island under the King Government supported by four self-seeking members, each eager to snatch an office for himself or other advantage in the "bungalow" fashion, and all playing "narrow-gauge politics" to serve personal ends. **Surely it is time for a change!**

That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

LESS WORK

I was talking to a young physician recently, and he was pointing out that his profession was the only one where the members thereof were gradually working themselves out of a job.

His father, also a physician, had told him of the large number of cases of typhoid he always had in August and September, with a few always on his list. Also of the many cases of diphtheria where he had to spend weary watchful hours, the long drawn out "bronchitis" cases which were really tuberculosis, where he made daily or weekly visits for months and months. But with the advent of new knowledge of the above and other ailments, and the increasing number of physicians there was now really less work for physicians to do.

Your typhoid case is now looked upon as actually an accident. Somewhere, somehow, the infection has been picked up, and the most searching efforts are made to locate the water, the food, or the carrier responsible for the infection. Your health department follows up a case of typhoid fever till it locates the source. It is now to be wondered at therefore that typhoid is now being gradually wiped out.

In diphtheria, the antitoxin has saved thousands of lives and the test now made to find susceptible cases is opening up another large field in the prevention of this terrifying scourge of past years.

And instead of our tuberculous people all dying in one or two years more than half of them are now rescued from the lingering death, and take their regular rightful places in the world.

The work of the physician in the near future will be the prevention of illness, and the giving of advice along health lines to every member of the family.

The dentist now looks over the teeth every three or six months and saves many teeth as chewers, and also many teeth that might otherwise be a source of trouble to the entire body. Sometimes we think that in his effort to save a good natural chewing service he takes a chance with some infected teeth.

If you are going to build a house you get an architect and he plans it all according to your needs. He watches the heating, ventilating, the brick, lumber, and other materials, entering into the construction.

Your body, your health, is your biggest asset. Why not let your family doctor take a good look over you and your family at least once a year. He should know your needs, and prescribe sound advice to the whole household.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

September 29, 1925.

IT SURELY WILL:—Be sure your sin will find you out. Numbers 32:23.

PRAYER.—

"Plenteous grace with Thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound,
Make and keep me pure within."

IF YOU SHOULD FIND

If you should find that all your life
were laughter,
If you should find that skies were
never grey,
If you should find that all that you
were after
Had suddenly begun to come your
way,

If you should find that every day
the sunshine
Were shining through the windows
of your soul,
If you should realize your great ambition,
And find that you at last had
reached your goal.
If you should find you'd all that
God could give you,
If you should find some happiness
to lend,
I wonder, would you look sometimes behind you,
I wonder, would you think about a
friend?

—E. Hope-Parkinson

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

THE MARINER SHOOTETH THE ALBATROSS.

Sir,—The Proem:—Captain Read attacked Walter Jones in Guardian relative to statements he had made in Summerside Agriculturist respecting Holstein cattle and has since written two other letters. Jones in his replies pulls away Capt. Read's noms de plume and exposes him as the writer of several other letters, on politics and Ayrshire cattle. This is the sixth letter in the Guardian and Mr. Jones' third.

It is seven columns that the prolix Captain Read has already written and that should be enough to prove anything. I have written only a column and a half and would not ask for the use of your valuable space further, Sir, if it were not necessary to show up some of the Captain's misstatements. For it is likely that there are some among his own kith and kin, or his crew, and possibly others, who take him seriously.

First I'll correct a rather grave injustice he has done to the fair name of the manager of the Central Creameries, Charlottetown moreover, it is a reflection on P. E. I. products.

Here's his statement: "The first prize butter at the Royal last winter came from Great Village, N. S., and was made from Guernsey cream."

I have before me the list of winnings at the Royal in 1924 and Central Creameries, Charlottetown won FIRST when Great Village, Nova Scotia, won TENTH. It may interest someone to know that the cream for Central Creameries was collected from patrons who do not own Guernsey cows and were 90 per cent Ayrshire and Holstein.

If the above statement is not plain enough for the Captain and does not fetch a due apology to Mr Percy Simmonds through your columns, the Captain's character can be easily classified. Mr. Simmons has brought much honour to his native Province through his dairy activities and last year won about 70 per cent. of the honours at the Maritime Exhibitions against all contenders. This year it is pretty much the same judging from the lists of winnings published today in the Maritime Farmer. I understand that Mr. Simmons would swear that not over one per cent. of the cream was of Guernsey origin.

As for world's championship fox pups fed on Holstein milk he again tries to criss-cross a trail. The world's championship fox pup of 1924, the sweepstakes male pup of 1924, the sweepstakes female pup of 1924 all came from Bunbury Farm and anyone may see miniatures of the cups on Mr. Franklin Bovyer's mantleshelf. The lists show Mr. Bovyer or Bunbury Fox Co., as breeder and Col MacKinnon as exhibitor. I come in exactly as the Captain does on the carferry, I supply the milk and some other necessities.

Milk, my dear Captain Read, has always been sold on the basis of its butter fat content in this province. Didn't you know that? In spite of that fact which is an advantage for your present favourite breed, Guernseys just don't seem to be growing in favour. They have not established themselves in Canada to any extent. Look at Report No. 16, for Record of Performance cattle in Canada. It is free, just drop an unstamped letter to the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, for it. It shows that 18 Ayrshire bulls, 35 Holstein bulls and 1 Guernsey bull were entitled to Advanced Registry under our Canadian Government Rules. The cows are about in the same proportion. The Holstein mature cows gave about twice as much milk as the Guernsey mature cows and averaged around forty per cent. MORE BUTTER FAT by the year. Now, any farmer, who is a farmer, and not an agriculturist like the Captain, knows that his pigs, hens, foxes and calves thrive on that milk which has around eight per cent. SOLIDS NOT FAT and that is exactly why the Guernsey cow cannot make headway with good farmers, except where there is a special demand for whole milk for human consumption.

There is no demand for special milk on P. E. I. except on the carferry. Guernsey milk retails in Charlottetown for ten cents a quart—same price as Holstein milk.

I could give you a list of all the record holders and prove absolutely that Holstein cows hold them all with one bare exception—that of cows between 4 and 4½ years of age in the 365 day class. It is not a Guernsey that holds that, but a Jersey.

The Pan-American exhibition was held in Buffalo, N. Y., twenty-two years ago. Much ice has drifted down the Strait since then, Captain! Surely they have been able to win something since then! Hundreds of public dairy tests have been held in our own country since then—Have they ever won? What breed won in Charlottetown Dairy test last week Captain? Is the Government supplying all this money to encourage anything?

About the Holstein cow he purchased some years ago he first says it was a cow he purchased from me. I denied it. Then he says it was a heifer. The facts are (and he knows it) he purchased a heifer from Wm. McQueen, Oxford Co., Ontario, the same as others of us did. They were not too bad a lot if they were given anything to eat. None of the others found it necessary to jump.

The trouble with the Captain is that he is a Graphomaniac—cannot cease writing. His prolixity is amazing.

Now Mariner, if you are floating in a slimy sea, becalmed, with green snakes in your vision, you should not have shot the black and white Albatross that brings good luck. You brought it on yourself.

I am, Sir, etc.,
J. WALTER JONES,
Bunbury Farm.

Your Birthday

SEPTEMBER 29.—You are very venturesome and energetic, and possess a wonderfully strong will. You like to be amused, and you chose lively, cheerful people for your friends. You are lovable, and have great love for your family. Be careful that you do not become over-bearing. Never forget those who have helped you to get on in the world.

Your birth-stone is the sapphire, which means deep love.

Your flower is the morning glory.

Your lucky color is brown.

If Your Daughter became the breadwinner

—such things happen!

If your daughter had to become the breadwinner for your family, would she have to look for a job, or could she fill a position where her earnings would be a real help to the household?

It is a contingency you do not want to think of, but she may have to grapple with it some day.

Have you made sure that she would not have to face a life of drudgery or be forced into an undesirable marriage? Would there be funds to complete her education, or to pay for a business college training? Would there be some help from you—or nothing but debts to pay?

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Mussolini Muzzles Italian Newspaper

A British stateman said some time ago that if he had to choose between England without a Parliament and England without newspapers, he would choose England without a Parliament. To Anglo-Saxon people it is difficult to imagine a country without both Parliament and newspapers functioning freely. But there are two countries in the world where the experiment is being tried out of having neither Parliament nor newspapers. These countries are Russia and Italy. One does not expect much from Russia under Bolshevism. But one did expect a good deal of Italy under Mussolini, the arch enemy of Bolshevism. He has turned out to be not essentially different from Lenin, perhaps not as good a man as Lenin, for the latter at least was willing to sacrifice himself for his ideas. Mussolini is ready to sacrifice others for his ideas. He said recently when dismissing Parliament that the members were to go home, and "like good Fascist," not worry about elections, because there may not be another election in a good long time." In the same speech he sent his admirers into paroxysms of mirth by demanding, "Can you imagine Mussolini watching election returns? He has not gone quite to the point of announcing that there will be no more Parliament, but he has succeeded in abolishing the newspapers.

EDITED BY POLICE.

A flagrant suppression was that if the entire edition of the "Giornale d'Italia" on August 11. In this paper there appeared a letter addressed by the Pope through Cardinal Gasparri to a French organization in which His Holiness innocently said: "It is well understood that authority should be always accompanied by healthy liberty." These views, the "Giornale" daringly observed were those of the Opposition. In a few minutes the police had raided the premises and shut down the plant. Two other important papers which favor Mussolini's opponents in Parma, "Il Piccolo" and "La Gazetta," have ceased to appear. The official announcement is that they have been sold, but the fact is that have been replaced by a Fascisti organ. The censoring of newspapers in Italy is in the hands of the Prefect of Police. Against his decision there is no appeal to court or Parliament, only to the Dictator himself. The police chief has authority to shut up any newspaper which in his judgment tends to disturb the public peace. To criticize Musso-

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