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Scores Policy of Retaliation

(Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—Any policy of retaliation on Canada's part against the United States, where moves had been made to erect tariff barriers against the Dominion, would be a suicidal act, A. E. Darby, Secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, declared before the tariff advisory board today.

The statement was provoked during the hearing of an application for tariff revision on mining machinery and equipment. "Turn the other cheek," Mr. Darby said in reply to spokesmen who urged more adequate safeguard for the Canadian product. Any policy of tariff retaliation would do every bit as much harm to Canada as it would do to the nation against which it was directed.

Protection for the Canadian manufacturing plants engaged in producing machinery for mining, inadequate tariff to assure their future development, and water establishment had been urged by the Dominion engineering works. This company was supported by the Canadian Westinghouse Co., of Hamilton, and the Canadian Ingersoll Rand Co., Montreal and other manufacturers of such machinery.

The submission by the above manufacturers was in opposition to an application submitted to the board some time ago by the Mining Association of British Columbia, Nova Scotia and Ontario and which was supplemented at today's hearing. The Mining Assn., asked that certain mining machinery which is not produced in Canada, enters the country free of duty.

CANADIAN LIVE STOCK SHOWN BUT CATTLE CROP SHOWS INCREASE

With live stock marketing prospects in Canada brighter than they have been for years, the situation as regards numbers is of particular interest at the present time. This is rather mixed, declines outweighing standing at June 1928 in comparison with the previous year. Taking the standing at June, 1928 there was a decline of 1.3 per cent in the number of horses as compared with twelve months previously. The total number of cattle declined by 4.1 per cent there being 2.6 fewer milch cows and 1.1 fewer beef cattle, though the number of calves increased by 5.2 per cent. There was an increase in the total number of sheep of 4.6 per cent, lambs increasing by 3.6 per cent and sheep by 5.5 per cent. The decline in total swine amounted to 4.3 per cent while poultry increased by 7.1 per cent goats by 7.4 per cent and rabbits by 5.1 per cent.

Exports to U. S. Responsible

The decline in horses of from 3,421,857 to 3,376,394 follows an increase of 23,743 in the figures of 1927 over those of 1926. The shrinkage in both beef and milch cattle in the country undoubtedly reflects the "drip" upon the herds of the country by the heavy demand from the United States. In the past year, beef cattle alone to cross the border in the first ten months totaling 316,608. It is gratifying to note an increase in the first ten months which are coming along. The sheep situation is the most gratifying in the entire survey, revealing the success of the concerted and concentrated efforts exerted to promote this industry in the Dominion. The decline in the number of swine in Canada is clearly a situation which calls for remedying. The poultry industry is evidently making very consistent progress, as are the more subservient industries of goat and rabbit raising.

Sheep and Poultry

In making a broad survey of the Dominion the sheep and poultry industries stand out markedly, every province without exception having added to its number in both branches. The total sheep population of the Dominion rose in the year from 3,262,700 to 3,415,788. In the Maritime provinces there were 499,878 sheep in 1927 and 528,057 in 1928. Ontario increased its numbers from 956,267 to 1,014,106 and Quebec from 861,548 to 883,757. The sheep population of the Prairie provinces grew from 816,020 to 840,811 and in British Columbia from 128,999 to 169,957. The total number of cattle was 7,793,272 against 9,172,238 the decline being general, the only provinces recording increases being Prince Edward Island, Quebec and British Columbia only.

Progress in British Columbia

In making a general survey one cannot but be struck with the progress being made in the live stock industry in British Columbia, which is being reflected in the generally rising agricultural revenue of that province. British Columbia was the only province during the year to register an increase in every branch of its live stock holdings. In addition to its horses, cattle, sheep and swine this province is responsible for the Dominion's population of goats and rabbits. The former is a well established industry which has made consistent progress over a number of years which has more recently got underway since introduced, and the latter way, is likewise steadily expanding and re-cruiting new followers.

The Nationalist government of China has contracted with American interests for the construction of a wireless station at Shanghai with a range of from 2500 to 9000 miles.

of uncommon annuals possessing real merit. This work is the result of many years of experimentation and study with thousands of varieties of annuals grown in plots, beds and borders at the Experimental Farm at Ottawa. Copies are available at the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.



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Flour Making Through the Ages

A Cave Man's Flour Mill 8000 Years Ago

LONG ages ago, a prehistoric man, making his way through a growth of wheat, stopped to ponder the waving heads of apparently wild grass. He sampled a plump pellet of grain. A vague thought stirred in his mind. Gathering an armful of wheat, he brought it to his mate. She ground the kernels between two rocks to make them easy to eat. There in that prehistoric field, the story of flour began. Those first crude grinding devices, now known as "Bull's Stones"—one shaped to fit the hand, the other a boulder hollowed on the top—were the world's first mill-stones.

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Vessels Founder In Atlantic Storm

BOSTON, Jan. 25.—Two vessels are missing in New England and many have foundered with a total of 23 men aboard, it became known today when coastguard headquarters in Boston wireless all destroyers and patrol boats in the New England area to begin an immediate search for the missing vessels. They are the trawler Seiner, last seen on Georges Banks, and the smack Mary, out of Thomaston, Maine, for Portland. At the same time several fishing schooners made port with stories of helmsmen lashed to the wheel and lifelines stretched along decks while they fought their way home. Coastwise shipping vessels staggered in late after bucking what appears to have been one of the worst winter storms in years on the North Atlantic. The storm apparently is the same one which sweeping North across the Florida into helplessness and caused widespread distress further South earlier in the week.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION

A most enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vessey on Dec. 28th when the Dunstons Pastime Club met there for the purpose of saying farewell to one of its members, Mr. William Vessey, who with his bride is leaving shortly for their future home. After vocal and instrumental music one of the members gave an interesting and appropriate reading entitled "The Trials of a Bachelor." An address was then read by Mr. Roland Philipson and the presentation of a beautiful casserole was made by Mr. Herb Court, William in a few well chosen words thanked the club members for their nice gift and their good wishes to himself and his bride and extended an invitation to one and all to visit them at their new home. Luncheon was then served by the hostess. The rest of the evening was spent in music, contests and games. The gathering was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

Dear William:

We are very sorry to hear that your vocation will take you from amongst us and also your charming wife. Before parting from you we would like to let you know in some measure of the high regard and esteem in which you have been held while living among us. You have ever been willing to take active part in our Club work, helping with your talents and cheering us with your very cheerful disposition. We ask you to accept this small gift not for its intrinsic value but that in the days to come it may be a small reminder of the days spent in the Dunstons Pastime Club.

LIVE HOGS

We are taking live hogs daily, excepting Saturday, paying highest market prices. Davis & Fraser

Pastime Club. Roland Philipson, Herbert Court, Irving Thompson, Ruby Stewart, Marguerite Terrell. Patriot please copy.

TO GIVE PENSIONS

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—The Province of Ontario will shortly come in under the Federal old age pension scheme. This was stated today by Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of Labour, in a delegation representing the Confederation of Catholic Workers of Canada, which waited upon the Government. Mr. Heenan further stated that the Dominion Government was prepared to discuss with the provinces which embraced the present scheme, suggestions for improving it and the adoption of a contributory system of old age pensions. It was considered advisable, however, to get the present system established before making any changes.

WHEN SOUND CAN BE FELT

LONDON, January, 23.—When a sound gets too loud it ceases to be heard and gets into the region of feeling, a strange tickling sensation being felt in the ear.

This was one of the many interesting facts revealed in a lecture on "The Ear and What It Does," delivered by Professor Alexander Wood, Tutor of Emmanuel College, and Lecturer in Physics, University of Cambridge, at the Institute of Electrical Engineers.

The tickling sensation, said Professor Wood, could also be felt in the tips of the fingers, if held near the origin of the sound. The normal ear could hear about 300,000 tones, varying in loudness and pitch. "We still hear the expression 'pricking up one's ears,'" he said, although only the animals can do that, though that humans have grown out of the habit of their ancestors.

"I know some boys who still boast that they can move their ears up, but I would advise them not to boast of the fact, since it betokens a close resemblance to their hairy forefathers." The ear was almost unbelievably sensitive and easily damaged.

"By a merciful dispensation of Providence," he continued, "people get less sensitive to shrill, high pitched sounds as they get older, so that by the time they cease to enjoy such noises they cease to hear them."

Referring to the vibrations of an acoustic resonator, Professor Wood said that any army walking over a bridge might cause the bridge to collapse if the men did not break step, "because," he explained, "their steady tread might just hit the natural period of the bridge."

"In the same way, a singer is quite capable of breaking a glass vase by the resonance of his voice. I was inclined to disbelieve this," he confessed, "until I discovered that if cocks by their crowing broke the neighbors' glass vessels the owner of the cock should be liable for the damage."

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Why Marriages Fail Dorothy Dix Blames Carping Criticism

It Isn't the Big Issues That Appear in the Divorce Court That Cause Most Matrimonial Failures—It is the Little, Unkind Criticisms That Make Life Seem Worth While

NINE times out of ten the question of why marriage is a failure could be answered by one word: Criticism.

Of course, in order to get a divorce a husband or wife has to accuse the party of the other part of some heinous crime. A woman can't go into court and say: "I've stood my husband's knocking everything I do until I can't bear it any longer, and I'll either kill him, or myself, if I have to listen to him finding fault with the coffee one more time."

A man can't say: "Judge, my wife has nagged me for twenty years about everything I do and don't do, about the way I sit down and rise up, and my taste in neckties, and the way to drive a car, until she has gotten on my nerves so that I would rather die than live with her another day."

None the less, the allegation of unfaithfulness, or drunkenness, or cruelty, or whatnot, that is officially put forth as the reason why the marriage bond should be broken, is more often than not just a smoke screen behind which hides the real explanation of why a couple fail to hit it off together, and another marriage goes into the discard.

It wasn't the big offenses they committed against each other. It was the little, carping criticisms that kept them always irritated, and their vanity hurt and sore, and made them so discouraged that they got to the place where they asked themselves, what was the use in trying to please a person who wasn't going to be pleased with anything they did, anyway, and why go on with a marriage that was all kicks and no happiness? The only answer to this conundrum seemed to be the divorce court.

After all, most men and women are pretty decent citizens. Not many men are brutes, nor many women are shrews. The average youth and maiden who get married are honest, and sincere, and kindly. They are in love with each other, and when they plight their vows at the altar they honestly mean to do their duty and to make each other happy.

How come it, then, that so often they get disillusioned with each other, and disgruntled with matrimony, that they sit up in sullen silence when they are alone together, or else engage in verbal battles in which they hack each other to pieces and leave wounds that never heal?

It is because one or the other, or both, indulge in perpetual criticism of the party of the other part, and criticism is the headliner among all the domestic vices. It has broken up more homes and alienated more husbands and wives from each other than all the combined immorality, and impudence, and failure to support, and temper, and nerves, and extravagance, and bad housekeeping in the world.

For a woman may forgive a man for an occasional sidestep, but she can't forgive his wondering every morning at the breakfast table why the can never learn to make bread like his mother used to make, and why she can't make the children behave better, and why she can't keep house without running up bills.

Like-wise a man can overlook his wife's not being a good manager, nor a blue-ribbon cook, and being too fond of bridge parties and the movies, but the thing that gets him is to have her always harping on his little faults and weaknesses, and reminding him of what a poor, weak, miserable creature he is.

All husbands and wives know exactly how little they relish being criticized by the partners of their bosoms. They know that it makes them feel as if they had been stabbed to the heart by the hand they trusted, and that has turned out to be the hand of the traitor. They know that the hurt rankles in their memories and makes them bitter and resentful. And yet they keep on doing it.

There are plenty of households in which the only music is the discord of the anvil chorus, and in which husbands and wives are at each other, humming and tongs, all the time. There are plenty of wives who never hear a word of praise. Their husbands will gobble down a thousand good dinners without comment, but there is a little too much salt in the soup, or the roast be overdone on the thousandth and first, and husband is right there with some scathing criticism of the meal.

There are plenty of women who pinch every nickel until the buffalo howls in agony without ever getting a commendation from Friend Husband, but let them by one high-priced hat and husband shrieks to high heaven about their wastefulness.

There would be some justification for husbands and wives criticizing each other if it did any good; but it doesn't. Its only effect is to hurt feelings and slow the individual down.

No wife is going to break her neck trying to please a husband who is going to hand her a knock instead of a bouquet no matter what she does. No husband is going to work himself to death trying to achieve things for a wife who tells him plainly that she doesn't think he amounts to much, anyway. It is praise and appreciation that inspire us to do our best. Criticism takes the last bit of heart out of us and makes us slump.

The worst of husbands and wives criticizing each other is that it destroys their children's respect for them. A child naturally takes the parent's valuation of each other, and if Johnny hears papa call mother a fool, and sees that mother regards papa as a poor, weak failure, he feels that he is not called upon to listen to the advice of a Dumb Dora or be guided by the admonitions of a ne'er-do-well.

Peter's Road and Vicinity

Weather very indefinite, but we had some.

We regret to state that on Monday 21st inst, the residence of Mr. Otto Irving, Cambridge Road, with much valuable effects was destroyed by fire. The first evidence caught in the ceiling of a room from an over-heated stovepipe. Mr. Irving was home at the time, but the fire had made some headway before he became aware of the fact. Mr. Irving was unavoidably absent at the time.

Owing to the secluded situation of the house, and the fire originating in the interior of the building, the neighbors did not notice the circumstances for some time. Mr. Irving and his young son did their best to extinguish the flames, but owing to the cold, and the distance of the well from the fire, the food supplies together with the house is indeed a hard loss and with no insurance. This is surely a case that should again appeal to the well known generosity of the community.—Patriot please copy.

Mrs. David Butler, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Grace Butler, having arrived from the west, Saskatchewan, is visiting with relatives at Peter's Road, and Murray Harbor North.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. Neil McSwain, Greek River is much improved, though not yet fully recovered from his recent illness.

Her many friends regret to learn that Mrs. A. D. McLeod, Alliston, is laid aside from her household duties by a fall on the ice causing a fracture of the arm.

Mr. J. McGuigan, the efficient and obliging mail-carrier on the Montague-Murray Harbor North route is as usual giving excellent service.

The recent cold snap with attendant bad roads fit for neither wheels nor runners, and the intense cold makes this long trip anything but a pleasure.

The Basket Ball Club has again resumed the season's playing in the spacious hall at Cambridge. This is a highly interesting game when played right, and receives the support of all who believe in good, manly sportsmanship.

A Scotch farmer had agreed to deliver 20 hens to the local market. Only 19 however were sent, and it was almost evening before the last one was brought in by the farmer.

"Man," said the butcher, "you're late with this one." "Aye," agreed the other; "but ye see she didn't lay until this afternoon."

Bedeque and Vicinity

The death of Mrs. Annie McPhee, widow of the late Alpheus Wright, occurred after a short illness on January 20th 1929 at the residence of her son Mr. Sutherland Wright, Middleton, at the advanced age of 82 years. She was good in eye, and in the possession of a fine intellect. She was an exceptionally well educated woman, and her willingness to relieve any real distress, her talents and charms endeared her to all. Truly we are living in a world where solemn shadows are continually falling upon our paths—shadows that touch us in the security of all temporal blessings and warn us there is no abiding stay. But let us remember that we are in

So if you want to be happy though married, cut out the criticism. Nobody marries to get a critic on the hearth, and it is because so many find one there that they take to stepping out with salve-spreaders, who are not married to them, and therefore don't feel that they have a right to tell them of their faults.

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the hands of Him who knows when to give and when to take away, and invites us to call on Him in the day of trouble. Her funeral was largely attended by her sorrowing neighbors and friends. She leaves to mourn one daughter Mrs. Peasly Allan, Albany, Bruce, Victoria, E. C. and Sutherland, Middleton, also a number of grandchildren, who should never forget the kind words "Grandma" always had for them. A very impressive service was conducted by Rev. R. P. Reynolds, pastor of Bedeque church. Her remains were tenderly laid by six of her friends in the Lower Bedeque Cemetery besides those of her husband.

Mr. Lewis Wright, Central Bedeque paid a business trip to Summerside last week.

Mr. Ralph Campbell, Chelton, was a visitor to Albany on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur MacFarlane and little daughter Norma were visitors to Summerside on Tuesday.

Mr. Reginald MacFarlane, Carleton paid a business trip to Summerside last week.

Mr. Gordon MacCallum has the sincere sympathy of his many friends, when they learned he was a patient in the P. C. Hospital, with a sprained ankle and wrist. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. John Cahill, Central Bedeque, was the guest of his sister Mrs. Dan McCordie, Chelton on Monday.

Mr. Neil McFarlane, Lower Bedeque, is kept very busy these days catching rabbits for the fox men around the vicinity.

Mr. George Owen, North River was the guest of friends in Summerside, Lower-Bedeque and Chelton last week.

Mr. John Sherry, Fernwood is being confined to his home with a bad case of flu. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Howard MacFarlane, Lower Bedeque motored to Union Corner on Tuesday.

Her many friends are sorry to learn of the illness of Mrs. Fred H. Clark, Chelton, her many friends hope it shall only be a short while before Mrs. Clark will be around again.

Mr. Jess Bradshaw, Middleton, was a visitor to Bedeque on Monday.

Mr. William F. MacFarlane, Lower Bedeque, has returned to his home after spending several weeks in O'Leary.

Mrs. Doris MacFarlane, nurse at P. C. Hospital spent Sunday at her home in Lower Bedeque.

EVERLASTING FLOWERS

Homes that do not have the advantages of flowering bulbs during the winter months can be brightened by the use of one or more of the varieties of flowers that retain their color when dried. There are several kinds of these flowers, and all of them easily grown in ordinary garden soil. Bulletin No. 60 of the Department of Agriculture, at Ottawa, entitled "Annual Flowers," names, but as each is described in that are useful for this purpose. Of each of these there are a number of varieties yielding flowers in many beautiful colors. Most of these plants are burdened with long and difficult names, but as each is described in the bulletin, one can readily make wise selections when determining which to grow.

The bulletin contains many other classes of plants suitable for such purposes as edging beds, screens for hedges, climbers, cut flowers, foliage plants, plants that grow in partial shade, and those that are drought resistant. It also includes a number