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UNCERTAINTY.

The industrial depression and the consequent ruinous exodus between 1921 and 1925 were due largely, if not wholly, to the uncertainty as to what the Government dominated as it was by the Progressives, would or could do in the matter of tariff adjustment.

that a Progressive with any other name would be just as good? Or does it mean that it does not require any political principles to be a Liberal? The Progressives, in their original state, were tariff reductionists, at least they were more pronouncedly so than the Liberals and the majority of Liberals are out-and-out protectionists.

THE BANQUET WAY

It was the ladies, we understand, who first discovered that the way to a man's pocket was through the stomach. Indeed it was a lady who expressed the idea in the somewhat crude form in which it is expressed today, "feed the brutes."

Whoever made the discovery it is generally recognized today that any undertaking in which the general public are to be interested must begin with a banquet. Politicians have long since discovered, hence we have political picnics in summer and political banquets in winter. It is noteworthy that all such picnics and banquets, for whatever purpose they may have been prepared, the real subject near the hearts of the promoters, reductionists; some of the Liberal members, particularly those from Quebec, are protectionists.

THE ETHIOPIAN'S SKIN

We have it on good authority that the leopard cannot change his spots, nor the Ethiopian his skin. From a much less authoritative source we learn that the Progressives are coming into parliament as Liberals. Just what this latter statement means may or may not be worth enquiring into and the enquiry, if made, would probably end about as indefinitely as the statement itself.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Evening Patriot in its editorial columns yesterday, for the second time, alleged that The Guardian "called the editor of the Patriot a dog and a braying ass." Will the Patriot please cite date and occasion for its allegation, as we have no recollection of associating the highly intelligent dog and the useful and honorable donkey with the esteemed editor of our contemporary?

Notes by the Way

The story is told of a poor widow living in a small house beside the highway who was praying for bread. Some youths passing by heard her supplications and thought it would be a good joke to get a loaf of bread, climb the low roof and drop the loaf down the chimney. It dropped on the hearth beside the poor woman as she prayed, who immediately broke forth into earnest and devout thanksgiving. It was no joke to her. Her prayer had been answered. Then foolishly the boys called out, "We sent the bread!" Her answer was, "The Lord sent it if the devil brought it!"

Something like this has happened to the Maritimes, in current stories of the contents of the Duncan report are reliable as we believe them to be. The Maritimes, suffering under long-continued neglect and injustice, were crying out for redress of their grievances, with but scant hope for any early or satisfactory answer to their prayers.

It is true that the needed loaf is not yet in the cupboard, but Maritime hopes have been raised to a high pitch by many reports from Ottawa as to the recommendations of the Commission, and the King Government's pledge to make them good.

We are thus assured of fulfilment and against needless delay, however reluctant certain of the powers that be to act promptly. The outlook for the Maritimes is by so much brighter than it has been for years past. Increased subsidies should give our Provincial Governments money enough for comparatively decent house-keeping, while lower freight should stimulate industry and trade, give increased business to our Atlantic ports, with increased production to our fisheries, and to the coal mines and steel plants in Nova Scotia.

The King Government, however safe it may be politically, because of its majority in Parliament, will find many difficult problems to solve because of its outstanding commitments. It stands pledged to transfer to Alberta her natural resources, to complete the Hudson Bay Railway, forthwith, to continue the Crow's Nest freight rates in the West and to implement the report of the Duncan Commission as to freight reduction in the East, to further reduce taxation, and to make further reductions in the customs tariff without further tariff increase.

In the aggregate these are very formidable commitments. To complete and equip the Hudson Bay route forthwith involves a vast immediate expenditure. Loss of revenue is inevitable if the tariff pledges are carried out and loss of railway receipts are equally certain if the outlined railway pledges West and East are to be kept. How then is the pledge of reduced taxation to be made good except by some trifling that may "keep the word of promise to the ear but break it to the hope"?

The number of Cabinet Ministers at Ottawa is being increased and an Ambassador to Washington is to be taken on, involving a large annual outlay. Full steam ahead in expenditure is foreshadowed in every direction without any provision or plan in sight to meet the outlay. And this at a time when losses of many millions have fallen upon the Western harvest fields. "Oh Economy! what excesses are being committed in thy name!"

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "she called Friday." Say "on Friday." OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: economical. The e is pronounced as in "the," or as in "let." OFTEN MISPELLED: literary; pretension, pretense, assumption, affectation, disguise, pretext, semblance, subterfuge. WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: ULTIMATE; being the last; final. "Our ultimate object is to succeed."

That Body of Ours

By James W. Barton, M.D. CUTTING DOWN ON YOUR WEAR AND TEAR

Out at the University of California, Dr. Alvarez had the opportunity of examining students from every standpoint, the food requirements, and the length of time it took food to get completely out of the body. A very interesting point was proven some months ago when he took the reading of the blood pressure of a student at the University examination. The readings showed a remarkable increase in the blood pressure due to course to the nervous excitement, or dread of the examination, the readings being sometimes nearly thirty points above the average.

Now we can't escape emotions. In fact life wouldn't be worth much without them, but the control of them is worth some thought on our part. If your blood pressure goes up considerably during emotion of any kind, and you are warned repeatedly about its bad effects upon you, you are apt to worry so much about it that your worry can be the most damaging emotion you can undergo.

In fact it is not the amount of hard metal work you do that causes trouble, it is the way that work looks or looms up to you that really counts. If you are of the emotional type, then just a little rest, relaxation, once or twice a day, will make a great difference to your general health. I am not advocating that you "sleep on your job," but if you feel the stress and strain telling on you a bit, then try to get away from it for just a few minutes a couple of times a day.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

THE PERFECT WAY—"As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the Lord is tried; He is a buckler to all them that trust in Him." 2 Sam. 22:31. PRAYER—"O Lord, for Thy name's sake, lead me and guide me." WORD OF LOVING—"A little word of loving is more to her than wealth. A little word of tenderness is just the same as health. It brings the bright hopes shining and it keeps the doubt away. A little word of loving, take it home to her to-day!"

SON OF CHARLES DICKENS IS MARRIED FIFTY YEARS LONDON, Sept. 28.—Sir Henry Dickens, son of Charles Dickens, will celebrate his golden wedding here Saturday. The famous novelist's son has six children and six grand children living. His youngest son was killed in the war. Sir Henry, who resembles the portraits of his father, is a Criminal Court Judge. He possesses many valuable mementos of the novelist.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. ALL KIDNEY DISEASES. RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, BACKACHE, DIABETES, BACKACHE. 4087 THE PHARMACEUTICAL CO.

The Island's Water Power

Sufficient to Propel Small Hydro Electric Plants Handicapped by Rights of Way (Historic)

Except this Province can utilize its streams there is not a bright prospect of its becoming a manufacturing centre on a large scale. The streams of the Province have shrunk to such an extent that its power is limited and strange to say the shrinkage of water has increased the costs of right-of-way connection with the power plants. Still there is probably enough power available to suffice for propelling factories for a considerable length of time in certain lines of industry.

The lack of expert information on this subject has been very fully supplied in a report of the Conservation Commission, Ottawa, which was published in 1911. For the information of those who have not read this report we quote it in part as follows. It reads: "The lands of the Province are held in relatively small holdings. Consequently, even where higher heads (8 to 15 feet) or larger areas for storage reservoirs for power development, might be obtained the compensation to owners of overflown property would be prohibitive of such undertakings."

In King's County the principal rivers are the Murray, the Montague, Whately and Old Mill, small Mills, driven by water power, are in operation. In Prince County, the principal river from a power standpoint, is the North Duck upon which are some small mills. Other small mills are situated upon such rivers as the Ellis, Trout and Tishish. Some maps of Prince Edward Island indicate a large number of saw and grist mills, but many of the small mills, formerly in service, have been abandoned. Reporting on the inland waters of the Island, James B. Hezard, District Engineer of the Department of Public Works, Canada, says:—"In years past before the clearing away of the forests, and when lumber was abundant, there was much more water, many streams, these of good size, and having on them several mills have now become almost dry, and quite useless for power, and as such clearing is going on further with the clearing up and cultivation of the land, Prince Edward Island may be considered as being, practically, about without water power."

The chief value of the inland waters of the Province," says the compiler of this report, "is not in their water-power possibilities, but in their use for domestic and municipal water supply for agricultural purposes, and as waters for the propagation of trout and other salt-water fish."

This very clear and reliable report then turns to the propagation of fish and protection of our inland waters, but as the scope of this letter is confined to the development of water power, we must defer comment on the subject of fish and streams for another occasion.

The cause of our rivers going dry or becoming small streams, is due to the fact that the land reeling in the fall where there are no trees to hold the snow, and the hard crust of the earth carrying off the water in freshets in the spring instead of soaking gradually into the earth and then boiling up in springs in the river banks as it did when the earth was sheltered by the forests. The disappearance of the large streams of the past is not the only

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