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Another Claudius?

Our local contemporary's incursion into the field of ancient history to whitewash the character of APPIUS CLAUDIUS, with whom its party leader's career as a dictator has been compared by a GUARDIAN correspondent, is, to say the least, somewhat unfortunate. Perhaps it is easier to rewrite history than to defend the CAMPBELL Government; yet prudence would have dictated a better subject for eulogy than the tyrant whom MACAULAY pilloried in the verses quoted. It is not necessary to go to MACAULAY for the facts. They are given in the ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA, from which we quote:

"CLAUDIUS, APPIUS, surnamed CRASSUS, a Roman patrician, consul in 471 and 451 B.C., and in the same and following year one of the decemvirs. At first he was conspicuous for his aristocratic pride and bitter hatred of the plebians. Twice they refused to fight under him, and fled before their enemies. He retaliated by decimating the army. He was banished, but soon returned, and again became consul. In the same year (451) he was made one of the decemviri who had been appointed to draw up a code of written laws. When it was decided to elect decemvirs for another year, he who had formerly been looked upon as the champion of the aristocracy, suddenly came forward as the friend of the people, and was himself re-elected together with several plebians. *But no sooner was the new body in office, than it treated both patricians and plebians with equal violence*, and refused to resign at the end of the year. Matters were brought to a crisis by the affair of VIRGINIA ....A general insurrection was the result, and the people seceded to the Sacred Mount. The decemvirs were finally compelled to resign and APPIUS CLAUDIUS died in prison, either by his own hand or that of the executioner. For a discussion of the character of APPIUS CLAUDIUS, see MOMMSEN'S appendix to vol. I of his History of Rome. He holds that CLAUDIUS was never the leader of the patrician party, *but a patrician demagogue who ended by becoming a tyrant to patricians as well as plebians.*"

This is the "statesman" whom our evening contemporary hails across the centuries as a shining subject for comparison with the actions of its party leader!

What next?

Whiskey Business Booming

Canadian whiskey producers, says the Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Globe, are engaged in a lively race against time. About three years ago the Volstead Act was repealed, which meant the lifting of the ban against the making and selling of spirituous liquors in the United States, and that a year hence, in the first week of December, the first of the United States domestic bonded spirits will be making their way to the United States market, of which since 1933 Canadian distillers have had a monopoly, and to which they are striving to sell an increased quantity before real competition begins.

The trade treaty with the United States, says the Globe correspondent, was of tremendous advantage to Canadian distillers in that it halved the duty on their products, and as a result exports of Canadian whiskey to that country have more than doubled in the present calendar year. For the ten months ending October, 3,484,011 proof gallons, valued at $15,021,000, were shipped to the United States, as against 1,536,000 gallons valued at $8,034,000 in the same period last year. There is apparent in these figures a slight decline in the value of the whiskey.

When the pact with the United States became operative at the beginning of the present calendar year there were at least 27,000,000 gallons of whiskey available for export from Canada, and by the end of this calendar year it is expected there will still be about 20,000,000 gallons. There has, of course, been considerable manufacture during the year.

Population Estimate

Dominion Bureau of Statistics estimates place the population of Canada at 11,028,000, an increase of 93,000 over the estimates of 1935. This increase is the smallest in recent years, the drought and other conditions on the Prairies having kept the population of the West from expanding in the ordinary way.

"Perhaps the most significant feature of the estimates for the year," says the Montreal Gazette, "is the increase in the three Maritime Provinces, Nova Scotia having made the biggest jump for a long time, 10,000, while New Brunswick added 6,000 people to its total and Prince Edward Island 3,000. It is the first time for many years that the Island Province has experienced an increase, the total now being 92,000. This is 4,000 short of the total in 1906, but if the present rate of growth keeps up, Prince Edward Island may anticipate a record before many years."

Silver Fox Farming In Norway

Silver fox farming in Norway has developed into a well-organized and highly important industry in recent years, writes MR. J. A. MACDONALD, Assistant Trade Commissioner in Oslo, in the Commercial Intelligence Journal. It is usually carried on in conjunction with agriculture, and is now an important source of income to the country. The industry got its start in January, 1914, when two silver foxes were imported from Canada. (Prince Edward Island). This original pair fetched a price of about $15,000. In the following years silver foxes were imported in considerable numbers.

In the initial stages Norwegian fox farmers directed their attention mainly to the production of breeding annimals, for which a speculative demand had developed. A price of $3,750 per pair was not unusual during the first year, and small fortunes were realized by many breeders. But speculation and lack of organization threatened to destroy the industry before it had become firmly established.

By 1929 the stock of silver foxes in Norway had grown to nearly 30,000, by 1934 to 214,000, and last year it was estimated that there were 300,000 silver foxes in the country. Altogether there are about 10,000 fox farms in operation, with gross earnings in 1935 of $7,250,000 on the basis of 191,000 cubs at an average value of $37.50. In 1934 gross earnings were about $5,000,000 on the basis of 130,000 cubs. If other fur animals are included, the total gross value of the industry in 1935 was about $7,500,000.

In 1935 Norway exported 138,707 silver fox skins valued at about $5,257,000. The United Kingdom was the most important market, but large quantities were also taken by Germany and France.

Editorial Notes

Heartiest felicitations to Mr. Henry Smith, who today celebrates his eighty-fifth birthday.

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The shipping season by water from here will soon close. Then the railway will have its innings, and from all accounts, it will be a pretty long one.

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It is the administration of the law that betokens the fitness or otherwise of a government. No government can claim to be a good government that deliberately disregards its obligations in this respect.

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It has happened once more, ruefully remarked the late Mail and Empire on Saturday, that the most striking news a paper ever publishes makes the front page a day or two before it ceases its existence.

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"The Boy" brought enthusiastic business and professional men together from Alberton to Mortague Monday evening, and kept His Honour the Lieutenant Governor happily occupied for the better part of three hours. That's what Scouting does for men.

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According to Mr. F. A. Magee, chairman of the Ontario Motor Truck Owners' Association, the nine provincial governments in Canada will this year collect a total of nearly $60,000,000 in taxes on motor vehicles. This sum, said Mr. Magee, was far beyond that collected in any previous year.

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This is from the final issue of the Toronto Globe—which is now the Globe and Mail: — "Listening to the tail-end of this eloquent speech, I do not intend to disturb the impression made by any halting words of mine," declared Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, referring to the oration of Ivan Roberts, of Highfield, Prince Edward Island, the delivery of which had kept the King's Representative waiting for five minutes at the entrance to the platform.

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The British Tommy is to abandon khaki for attractive blue uniforms in time for the Coronation. "I hope at the Coronation that all soldiers participating in London will be clothed thus at the Government's expense," Hon. Duff Cooper, Minister for War said. The minister said his greatest ambition in connection with the recruiting compaign was to be able to guarantee to every soldier leaving the army at the end of his period of service with a good character that he would pass straight into a good job.

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Here in a nutshell is the effect of the Reciprocity treaty, as explained by Mr. W. Frank Prendergast, a director of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, to the National Foreign Trade convention held in Chicago the other day. In 1935 Canada imported $312,000,000 worth of commodities from the United States, while exporting to that country goods valued at $265,000,000. Similarly, "we paid you some $188,000,000 in interest and dividends but had sufficient capital invested in your country to earn only $54,000,000." Obviously, said the speaker, "the fair statement of the case is that by increasing the ratio of our exports to the United States, we are taking necessary steps to put ourselves in a position where we can continue to honor our obligations. In these days of repudiation, such measures must be regarded as commendable."

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Mr. Norman A. MacLeod, the most outstanding Ottawa exponent of Conservative policy and critic of Liberal shortcomings, anticipated the Globe and Mail's "support the Government-in-power policy" by writing a strongly pro-Government letter from Ottawa to the dying issue of the Mail and Empire of which he has been the able Ottawa correspondent. He said Canada is on the eve of the greatest era of prosperity in her history, so much so that the Bank of Canada would have to regulate matters to prevent an ultimate disaster. For this reason the Hon. C. A. Dunning, Minister of Finance, and Mr. Graham Towers, President of the Bank, had begun in conference and proceeded: "And while the Government seeks, on the one hand, to prevent economic recovery from extending into a speculative orgy, it is also trying, on the other hand, to stimulate recovery so as to afford ever-increasing employment to the Dominion's thinning army of idle workers. It is a case of Graham Towers and Finance Minister Charles Dunning keeping their hands on the governor, while Chairman Arthur Purvis of the Employment Commission stokes the boiler. It thus is a highly delicate feat of economic engineering which the Government has to attempt. Not the least grounds for optimism for its success, despite its difficulties, lie in the admittedly brilliant abilities of the three principles mentioned." So that is that.

Notes by the Way

The nations should recognize while yet there is time, that the present drift toward enforced poverty is also a drift toward world war for secure markets and sources of raw materials, and should express this recognition in a world-wide economic truce. National planning without international co-operation in the essential matters of currencies, tariffs, markets and sources of supply is a movement of mass suicide: but, safe-guarded by international co-operation, it may be the next base for another great advance in the unending war against poverty.—Pacific Affairs N. Y.

An advertising specialist in Boston declares that women certainly read the advertisements and buy accordingly. He says: "For selling women's dresses, advertising is 16 per cent. more important than low price, and 27 per. cent. more important than style." He reached this decision after interviewing 3,000 women in regard to the factors which led them to buy at the particular stores. He also found that 43 per cent. of the women bought their dresses at the stores whose newspaper advertising they liked best.—Amherstburg Echo.

To reject eternal peace as an absurdity and as something foreign to the creed or to the temperament of any people, is to proclaim oneself a barbarian and an enemy of all mankind. Physical force, terrorism, despotism, cannot accomplish the high ends at which civilization aims. Intelligence, sound moral standards, and the spirit of service can do so, always have done so and will continue to do so. It is for these that the endless war is to be untiringly waged.—Nicholas Murray Butler.

The high price of oranges was a factor in bringing peace in Palestine. The revolt of the Arabs was causing the destruction of orchards and interfering with the free flow of trade at a time that offered Palestine an opportunity to sell her fruit at record prices. The fighting in Spain had reduced the export of oranges from Malaga and Cartagena almost to the vanishing point. Oranges in Britain were sixty percent dearer than they had been two months previously. November is the best season for gathering in the oranges of Palestine and a continuation of civil strife would have caused much of the fruit to go to waste. Jews and Arabs agreed upon that one point—it would be too bad to let a little quarrel spoil honest money-making; the goodness of nature should not be rejected. So the Arab rebellion has been called off and the whole country is hastening to make the most of its juicy orange crop. —Toronto Star.

An official of the Illinois Department of Agriculture claims to have developed a combined grain and forage crop that will flourish despite drought and the activity of several kinds of insect pests. The proof is provided by seventy-five bushels of grain and thirteen tons of fooder per acre on an area parched by the long dry spell. This is something worth while.—Toronto Globe.

The millions of peaceful citizens who go about their daily business without thought of evil do not get their names into the police records. Their activities do not constitute news. It is the exceptional, the unusual event, that achieves publication. In the background of these happenings is the vast civilized body that reads about them, shudders and wonders sometimes if the world is really growing better. Their own lives prove that it is.—Gueph Mercury.

It is true that two dictators, Hitler and Mussolini seem for the moment inclined to collaborate, rather than to fight in Austria, with what results for that frail buffer state only time can tell. But the real field of the foreshadowed partnership is the Balkan Peninsula. If successful, this means the end of Little Entente, already shaky, and the isolation of France from her eastern allies; it is the latest effect of the Franco-Soviet pact. But it is conceivable that in the long run, Germany would share her Mittel Europa, if she wins it, with Italy, or that ambitious Italy, bent on empire-building, could bear to be the tail of the German kite?—New York Time.

A more glorious victory cannot be gained over another than this, that when the injury began on his part, the kindness should begin on ours.—Ex.

The Poets' Corner

"O YOUTH WHOSE HOPE IS HIGH"

O youth whose hope is high
Who dost to truth aspire,
Whether thou live or die,
O look not back nor tire.

Thou that art bold to fly
Through tempest, flood and fire,
Nor dost not shrink to try
Thy heart in torments dire.

If thou canst Death defy,
If thy faith is entire,
Press onward, for thine eye
Shall see thy heart's desire.

Beauty and love are nigh,
And with their deathless quire
Soon shall thine eager cry
Be numbered and expire.

—Robert Bridges.

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.

WINTER SIDEWALKS.

Sir,—With a decidedly progressive Mayor and an up-to-date Council, it is to be hoped, if not indeed presumed, that Charlottetown will during the coming winter be blessed with safe and passable sidewalks.

Our streets are so excellently looked after during the summer months that the contrast in their care in the much more important winter period is a matter of surprise alike to the citizens themselves and to visitors from the mainland upon whose minds a regretably undersirable impression is left by their unkempt condition.

Walking this morning was not only difficult but really dangerous and, considering the abundance of sand on this Island and the plentiful supply of labor willing to apply itself for a very moderate remuneration, it is simply a case of exciting the will of our City rulers for the way, like the desire of the people, is knocking constantly for the door to be opened.

I am, Sir etc.
H. K. S. HEMMING
—Charlottetown Nov. 24

IS THE RENT PAID

Sir,—I notice in Pro Bon Publico's letter the Jaugernot Chariot Wheels of government still rolls on. Like every penny-hapeny piece of patronage, because he dared vote Conservative, his vendor shop is vacated and absorbed by one of the faithful.

Did the retiring landlord get his rent? or, because he was a Conservative was it a customary case of "rent jumping"? If he recovered the rent due him, then he should render thanks that he got his shop back again.

He should remember that case of the clergyman, when the collection hat was returned with nothing but buttons and tin tabs, responding,—"Praise the Lord." An adherent asking,—"What do you praise the Lord for?" "Because we got the hat back."

I am, Sir, etc.,
HONESTY.

NOT DEAD BUT SLEEPING

Sir,—You ask is "Temperance sentiment dead" outside of "Rev. Mr. Waterworth and Prohibitionist."

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MEN'S HEATHER SOCKS 35c. All wool regular 50c quality clearing Dollar Days at — — — — — — — — — — — 35c

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MEN'S SWEATERS $1.50 Pure wool roll neck in Blue White or Maroon, regular $2.25 value Dollar Days at — — — — — — 1.50

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BOY'S AVIATION CAPS, 49c. Mostly small sizes. Browns only, regular $1.00 Dollar Days — — — — — — — — 49c

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