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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink."

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Archbishop O'Leary

It is with a feeling of deep personal loss that the people of this Province will learn of the death of the Most Reverend Henry J. O'Leary, Archbishop of Edmonton.

The rebuilding of St. Dunstan's Cathedral, now St. Dunstan's Basilica, and the beginning of the present Charlottetown Hospital, were but two of many important works undertaken here by Bishop O'Leary.

Always, Archbishop O'Leary retained a special affection for Prince Edward Island and its people, which he showed on many occasions.

Mr. Bennett's Retirement

The announcement of the retirement of the Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett from the leadership of the Conservative party is a matter of nationwide interest and regret.

Mr. Bennett had achieved great wealth and outstanding success in the legal profession when he took over the Conservative party leadership, to which he was elected at a National Convention at Winnipeg in 1927.

Thereafter Mr. Bennett laboured to achieve the Empire trade pact, based on preferential tariffs. He was successful at the Ottawa conference of 1932, which concluded with the signing of eleven trade agreements between the Dominion and the Mother Country.

Like most governments which bore the brunt of the fateful depression years, the Bennett administration met defeat in the general election of 1935. Mr. Bennett accepted the verdict without bitterness and continued, as Opposition leader, to serve his country as faithfully in that capacity as he had previously done as Prime Minister.

Mr. Bennett enhanced his reputation as a statesman by the world tour which he took prior to the Coronation, which helped to cement the relationship between the different parts of the Commonwealth and Canada.

Although he is resigning the leadership on the advice of his medical examiners, this does not mean that Mr. Bennett's health is in jeopardy, or that it will be necessary for him to retire altogether from public life.

Credit Where Due

Our lackadaisical politicians in power in this Province should buck up and take an object lesson from their Liberal colleagues in New Brunswick.

used only when weather conditions prevented planes from going to Montreal. The original plan, Mr. Dysart said, was that Shediak would be the terminus and he read a strongly worded telegram which he had sent to Transport Minister Howe on the subject.

Imagine Premier Campbell getting up in our all-Liberal Legislature and denouncing any scheme, short of towing this Province out to sea and sinking it in mid-ocean, that had emanated from the Mackenzie King Government!

The same applies to our apparently tongue-tied Liberal representatives at Ottawa. How different their attitude from that of Mr. A. G. McAvity, recently elected by acclamation for Saint John to the House of Commons, who is already pushing for added dock facilities for his constituency!

We recall, too, that when the scheme to scrap the British North America Act as an Imperial statute was hatched at a Liberal conference at Ottawa, New Brunswick stood pat. It refused to sacrifice its provincial rights and as a result the scheme fell through.

Editorial Notes

Sir J. Herschel born this date, 1792.

Premier Aberhart says he is disappointed at the decision of the Supreme Court—that is putting it mildly, surely.

The King Government, like the Campbell Government, enjoy quite a reputation as tax collectors.

Hope springs eternal in our breasts that some day sufficient oil will be discovered in our Island to offset the Campbell taxation on our gasoline.

Country general store sales averaged one per cent higher in January than in the corresponding month a year ago, according to monthly statements received from almost 700 of these general merchandise stores located in the smaller towns and rural areas.

Births registered in January in 67 cities and towns of Canada having 10,000 population and over numbered 6,712, deaths 4,632 and marriages 2,413 compared with 6,304 birth, 4,678 deaths and 2,216 marriages in January last year, showing an increase of 6 1-2 per cent in births, a reduction of one per cent in deaths and an increase of nine per cent in marriages.

"Champertry" and "maintenance" are two legal terms just so much arabic to the laymen, and therefore we are all the more indebted to Chief Justice Perrault of the Montreal Court of Sessions for interpreting them.

Hides and skins were exported to the value of \$219,787 in January compared with \$181,778 in the previous month and \$447,865 in the corresponding month last year.

Just in case you are interested, public holidays in 1938 are as follows: Good Friday, April 15; Victoria Day, Tuesday, May 24; King's Birthday, Thursday, June 9; Dominion Day, Friday, July 1; Civic Holiday, Monday, August 1; Labor Day, Monday, September 5; Remembrance Day, Friday, November 11; Christmas, Sunday, December 25 (will be observed on Monday, December 26).

There is rivalry between the (Japanese) Army and the Navy; and there is rivalry between the (British) Army and the Navy.

Some people are born great, some people attain greatness, others have greatness thrust upon them. Kipling belonged to the second class, while his leading characters in "Stalky & Co." belong to the third.

NOTES BY THE WAY

If France complains over the implications of Eden's retirement she may be reminded that Britain has stood behind her for a long time and the general effect on Europe has been the reverse of good.

Britain has nothing to gain by filling Mussolini's coers so that he can carry out his armament programme. She needs her money to adequately provide for her own defense against Mussolini and the other dictators who are just watching and waiting for their chance.

Someone has discovered that Mexico City, with a temperate variation of only five degrees in the year, has the almost perfect climate. It is the fact that a lethargic thermometer produces a lethargic people.

On the basis of territory alone, comparison with the past is striking. In the pre-war days, the Austria-Hungary Empire extended over various empires and empires.

We have just received a letter from England enclosing a large advertisement for a new type of gas mask. It is described as being of "proved efficiency, made under government supervision."

A vital weakness for Japan in war is her primitive system of land cultivation. The productivity per acre is high, but productivity per man is low.

All the peaceful forces of the world have acted as if they were united to stop one nation, not a very strong one at that. Our own case is typical. We instruct the British military commander at Hong Kong to reject the Japanese demand to enter the British Concession there.

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According to information just received in Parliament, 146,668 short tons of Russian wool were imported into Canada in 1937. And at the same time Canada has sufficient coal to supply the needs of her own people.

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Stories of fascist organizations in Canada are capable of dressing up to suit interests in other countries, although in Canada no one pays any attention to them, except the communists, who may find more excuse for their own equally obnoxious propaganda.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The editor reserves the right to edit and necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

THE CHRISTIAN WAY

Sir,—Wouldn't it be interesting if one could ask Christ what He thought of the Fascists calling themselves "The National Social Christian Party"?

When Christ reproved narrow patriotism at Nazareth, the people nearly threw Him out a cliff. They did not like attention being called to the cure of Naaman the Syrian while the lepers of Israel were not healed, nor Elias going to a widow of Sargissa while the widows of Israel were neglected.

What can be done to conserve this reserve power of the heart so that it will not be exhausted too soon? It is work or exercise that uses up the power of the heart.

Another important point in conserving or saving their reserve power of the heart is to avoid exciting and other emotional disturbances. Still another is to avoid heavy meals which call upon the heart to do much extra work and carry on its ordinary work also.

AND STILL IT CROWS

Sir,—The flaming wood cut of that antiquated front page rooster vanished after the smashing defeat of 1918. Its ghost has returned to haunt the sanctum with weird and hollow mockeries.

Those will-o'-the-wisp chasings are now the laughing stock of his readers, though the cabinet ministers were returned, according to custom, by "acclamation," filled its emptiness with the gladness of its cessation to babble.

It reminds me of another incident of the elimination of French and Latin from the young man asked, "Father, when can I know that I am drunk?" Reply: "There is a man in the street who is drunk, when he appears to you as if there were two, then son, you are drunk."

Such persons as advocate the elimination of French and Latin remind me of the following story. A Professor was to give a lecture on Education, which he did. In the morning the Daily had for its report, "Professor's Lecture showed the need of Education."

It is generally taught two days in the week, with about 15 minutes for each lesson, which is only 30 minutes of the whole week, or 60 minutes for Latin and French, which are taken turn about.

Our fiscal need does not permit us to make any great change in our Educational System, but if we should not be indeed as the idle boy who taking advantage of an open door would help himself, every good thing on the table money ought to be forthcoming.

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That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D. REDUCING THE WEIGHT HELPS THE FAILING HEART

If patients in whom the heart is beginning to show failure such as getting out of breath easily or slight swelling of the feet, were to remember always that they have just so much power remaining in the heart and not accordingly, they would live years longer.

It is work or exercise that uses up the power of the heart, but some work or exercise must be done regularly in order to keep the heart muscle in good condition and in order to supply blood to all parts of the body.

As a patient with a failing heart should be under the care of a physician, this reduction of weight should be done only under his supervision.

The Poet's Corner

FROM "PROTHALAMION"

We must not to a foe like time Yield up our present. Take my hand And up the morning we shall climb Until the wooded valley land Lies all beneath us in the drowse Of love's meretricious aftermath;

We will not to our ancient foe Yield all this happiness; it lies Shielded from sizzle and from snow And all the menace of the cold. At night I shall watch over thee, The future safe beneath thy breast, And after autumn there shall be Dayspring when for each other's sake We shall awake

ask the reason why. Such persons as advocate the elimination of French and Latin remind me of the following story. A Professor was to give a lecture on Education, which he did. In the morning the Daily had for its report, "Professor's Lecture showed the need of Education."

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Behind The Headlines at Ottawa

By Dean Wilson

Although the Government is confronted with several important domestic measures in the present session, Ottawa is having a difficult time to sidetrack the numerous efforts of the part of members of all political parties who are raising the point about Canada's policies in the present world crisis.

There seems to be a smouldering resentment in the House amongst many members of all political parties who are under the impression that this fact has been disclosed during debates on various subjects. Time and again, the Government has been compelled to emphasize that Canada's relationship with the Japanese people and that any word or action that might arouse resentment in Japan are understood and that this Dominion would lead to a serious international complication that might involve the whole British Empire.

There has been a demand that Canada should prohibit the exportation of certain kinds of materials to Japan, but the measure was sidetracked. However, a compromise was offered and instead an amendment was added to the Customs Act, whereby no ship or Canadian vessel can carry certain materials or munitions to any other country which was at war in the eyes of the Canadian officials.

These arrangements have not satisfied those members who wanted Canada to prohibit all exports to Japan. They are a member of the League of Nations and that international body has declared Japan to be an aggressor nation. Therefore, it is asserted that Canada should not be legally to discontinue all shipments of materials which may be manufactured into munitions to be used subsequently in the wholesale slaughter of thousands of helpless Chinese women and children.

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country, particularly in the event of a war. It is pointed out that an investigation by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has disclosed that 75 Japanese had obtained false birth certificates and 117 had received fishing licenses illegally, with the strong possibility that further enquiry will show three or four times as many offences along the same line.

The Government refutes these charges and arguments by pointing out that in 1928 Canada entered into a "gentleman agreement" with Tokyo whereby no more than 100 Japanese would enter this country in any single year and that foreign power had carried out over about 320,000 Japanese at the present time. There are over 12,000 Japanese fishing boats off the coast of Canada and a great many are engaged in the fruit-growing industry, but when some unfortunate white farmers of the Prairie drought areas tried to enter the industry, they could not compete with these Japanese.

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