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Will Mr. Dunning Please Note?

Considerable indignation is being felt in the vicinity of Crapaud-Victoria at the instant dismissal of Mr. STEWART INMAN, Lightkeeper, Leard's Inner Range, on the alleged ground of political partisanship.

Maritime Freight Rates

Among the many interesting reports submitted and discussed at yesterday's sessions of the Maritime Board of Trade, none caused greater satisfaction than the brief announcement of Mr. Sclanders, secretary of the Transportation Commission of the Board, that since July 1, 1927 when the Maritime Freight Rates Act went into effect, up to March 31 of the present year, a cash saving to Maritime shippers of \$22,163,922 had resulted.

Mr. Sclanders cited the Duncan Commission report of 1926, which preceded the passing of the Maritime Freight Rates Act, to effect that the then existing freight structure as altered since 1912 had placed upon the trade and commerce of the Maritimes a burden never intended it should bear and which was, in fact, responsible in very considerable measure for depressing abnormally Maritime business and enterprise which had originated and developed before 1912 on the basis and faith as it then stood.

The reports of Messrs. RAND MATHESON, manager of the Maritime Transportation Commission, and of Mr. J. D. McKenna, chairman of the Transportation Commission of the Maritime Board of Trade, also contained illuminating information regarding transportation and other problems affecting this Province equally with our sister Maritime Provinces.

Tale Of Two Meetings

Seated on the platform with his distinguished parliamentary colleague at the Eldon meeting Tuesday night, Mr. PETER SINCLAIR, M. P., no doubt recalled the stirring speech which he delivered in the same hall just a year ago this month, on the occasion of the Dominion election campaign.

Today the sales tax stands at 8 per cent. The potato bonus has failed to materialize; and though a reduced-tariff quota for seed potatoes was obtained under the reciprocity pact with the United States, our shippers have been deprived by the Mackenzie King Government of the subsidized service they enjoyed last year under the Bennett Government, and must pay through the nose for freight transportation on American lines.

All this, of course, did not detract from the welcome extended to Finance Minister DUNNING on his first visit to the Belfast district Tuesday evening. Mr. LARABEE was not there, at any rate in a political capacity; and Mr. SINCLAIR, in the very few remarks which he per-

mitted himself to make, kept safely to windward of the "iniquitors' sales tax.

Editorial Notes

Potato lifting now general.
Mr. Dunning optimistic! In the darkest days was he ever known to be anything else?

The Minister of Finance could as capably have filled the portfolio of Minister of Agriculture or Minister of Trade and Commerce.

The man who made the sacrifice to give Mr. Dunning his seat is sadly and conspicuously absent from all the present political jubiliations.

Mr. Peter Sinclair, M. P., seems mighty proud to play second fiddle in Mr. Dunning's one piece orchestra.

Yes, Mr. Dunning, we are an agricultural province, but our eggs are not all in one basket. Nor do we spend our winters in San Francisco as do farmers in the West.

The business parliament of the Maritimes has the advantage of having neither patronage nor pull, and must have recourse to sound horse-sense in making its presence felt.

A sadly depressed patient wants to know why he can't have his doctor's prescription filled at the Vendor's on Wednesday afternoons now that the holiday season has ended.

Blight is affecting only the potatoes of those farmers who unfortunately failed to spray often enough, as advised by Mr. R. R. Hurst of the agriculture department who issued timely warning.

Coming events cast their shadows before. The charming Miss Dunning, now happily with us, is slated to be presented at the Royal Court next May, which means that her Dad is going over for the Coronation.

Our evening contemporary crows loudly over the alleged introduction at P. W. C. of the preliminary course in agriculture and domestic science. Stuff and nonsense—this was introduced by the MacMillan Government when it added the fourth year and had P. W. C. recognized as a junior college.

It will be gratifying to his many friends here to learn of the promotion of Mr. Earl C. Young, assistant chief of the House of Commons Hansard staff, to be chief of the branch, replacing the late Mr. Simpson. To replace Mr. Young as assistant, Mr. W. S. Galbraith, for many years a member of the reporting staff, has been selected, and among the others advanced a stage is Mr. T. S. Hubbard, also formerly of Charlottetown.

The Port Royal Pulp and Paper Company, Union Point, N. B., announce an extensive plant expansion, which will enable them to increase production of fine quality pulp from 85 tons to 125 tons daily, and increase the number of employees from 60 to 75. This has been made possible by the Dysart Government entering into a contract with them through the N. B. Electric Power Commission to supply 1,500 to 2,000 horsepower of hydro-electric on favorable terms.

A victory does not always connote a success, as the Hon. Charles Auguste Bertrand, K. C., Attorney General in the Godbout short-lived administration, is now experiencing. He was slated for the Superior Court Judgeship, vacant by the death of Mr. Justice Charles Wilson, and signified his intention of accepting it, but the provincial Liberal Party is averse to his leaving the Legislature. Official recount in Laurier division established him as successful over Aid. Dr. Zenon Lesage in the last election and the party is unwilling to see its slim representation in the Assembly endangered by the loss of even one seat.

The Dominion Government is expected daily to announce the name of the new judge, the other prospects being Hon. Athanase David, K. C.; Albert Theberge, K. C., a former president of the Reform Club; Theodule Rheume, K. C., former M. L. A. for Jacques Cartier; Paul Mercier, K. C., M. P. for St. Henry; Stanislas Poulin of St. Johns.

It is generally admitted Premier Campbell made a mull of the National Park Project. As the Order-in-Council shows, it was originally intended to make Dalvay the centre of things, but, for some reason or other, this was hidden from the public and denied by the Patriot. Dr. MacMillan uncovered the plot, and even then the Liberal organ had the effrontery to question its accuracy. Since that time the political plot has been boiling over, every one almost of the 30 members having a scheme of his own to put over. As a compromise, Dalvay, with the approval of the Minister of Finance, has been shelved "for the present at least." Another instance where the Premier is realizing the truth of the adage "Be sure your political sins will find you out."

Here is a sketch of General Franco, the leader of the Spanish Rebels. He is, of course, a professional soldier who has hitherto always been regarded as a monarchist (though there seems to be some question about that); he has done well as an administrator in Morocco; and he is the brother of the famous airman who flew the Atlantic—and who is among the most ardent supporters of the Government. A Spanish correspondent who knows the rebel leader, but is at the opposite pole from him politically, gives a rather surprisingly favourable picture of him as a man. He is a devout Roman Catholic. His recently-published letter addressed to the Minister of War before the outbreak of the rebellion suggests rather that military grievances did more than anything to prompt his action. If, as seems inevitable, Spain can only be preserved by a period of dictatorship after the civil war, however the war ends, it is arguable that Franco would be a better dictator than anyone the Left could produce.

Notes by the Way

Since Cincinnatus returned from affairs of State to the plough, there has been nothing so edifying and touching as Mr. Lloyd George's cultivation, in his political retirement, of his vegetable garden. For "the rare and refreshing fruit" which was once his peculiar case, he has substituted the less rare but equally refreshing "vegs" as they are commonly described on chophouse bills of fare. His homely task now is to make two cabbages or two marrows grow where only one grew before. Let not ambition mock his useful toil, which is not to be held less praise-worthy because there is money in it. Whether Cincinnatus carried to the Roman market the crops of the field that he ploughed is not recorded, though it is improbable that he ate them all. But Mr. Lloyd George, with a sound economic sense, is marketing his vegetables, which will no doubt, as the produce of such illustrious tillage, command an eager sale, though the salesman no longer values his wares at ninetene for fourpence.—London Morning Post.

An anti-tobaccoist has accused tobacco of doing more to deaden the human intellect than any other thing. Some of the most famous smokers were Lord Bacon, Sir Isaac Newton, Thomas Carlyle and Alfred Tennyson.—San Francisco Argonaut.

At a place in New York State appropriately named Babylon, a young woman caused much discussion as to how women should dress when attending services in a sacred building. With all due reverence, we do not think it matters to the Deity how a person is garbed, provided worship is sincere. Correct apparel may conceal a hard or hypocritical heart. But we do think some consideration should be paid to the feeling of other worshippers. To destroy the atmosphere of a religious service by introducing a reminder of frivolity is to display a lack of innate breeding. It is in the worst of taste.—Hamilton Spectator.

The worldly will suspect a catch somewhere, and they need not look far. These so-called "prosperity certificates" are simply a form of taxation, and not very equitable taxation. Assuming that the scrip circulates at face value and is duly redeemed, the people of Alberta will none the less pay \$1.04 in stamp taxes for each dollar of scrip issued. No "increased purchasing power" is created; the citizens lose what the Provincial Government gains. The tax falls not on those who get caught with the bills on the weekly stamp day. Some persons may be able to arrange their transactions to avoid the tax regularly, while others are just as regularly caught, unless they can add the tax to their prices.—New York Times.

Whenever a new crisis hits Europe Germany walks off with some new concession. With tension high over the Spanish situation a high Nazi official demands colonies for Germany. However, he modestly confines his demands to those colonies taken away from the Reich by the Treaty of Versailles.—London Advertiser.

The New York man who gave a twenty dollar cheque to the St. Thomas authorities in settlement of a traffic fine and then stopped payment at his bank, no doubt thinks that he did a very clever thing. As a matter of fact this smart Alec has simply pulled off a trick which is liable to cause much future inconvenience to other decent U. S. visitors to the Dominion.—Brantford Exposition.

The discussion provoked by Viscount Elibank's suggestions regarding Canada's defence policies has covered a wide range, but has finally boiled down to the principle that what Canada needs is a small, but well-trained, permanent militia, capable of becoming the nucleus of a large defence force in the event of an attack upon the Dominion. This is precisely what the Dominion now has and no good reason has yet been adduced for departure from this plan.—London Advertiser.

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Civil war, death, wounds, rapine and appalling loss of property and, whichever side wins, an aftermath of resentment and despair which augurs ill for the new regime, to say nothing of possible international

That Body of Ours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

THE BODY REGULATOR

Some years ago I wrote a series of articles comparing the body to an automobile—the stomach was the gas tank, the small intestine was the carburetor—mixing foods instead of gas and air—the discs between the spine bones and the knee joint were the shock absorbers, the brain was the steering wheel and so forth. Another series likened the body to a house:—the mouth was the vestibule, the kitchen was the stomach, the dining room was the small intestine—where blood absorbed the nourishment from the food and so forth.

I have had in mind comparing the body to a watch with the main spring being the heart. There is one part of the watch that fascinates one, the hair spring, because its job is to "regulate" the speed of the watch so that it will not run too fast or too slow.

What is the regulating part of the body, that speeds or slows up the various body processes? One of the ductless glands—the thyroid in the neck—is the body regulator. A ductless gland is one that has no little tubes or ducts carrying its manufactured product, secretion as it is called, into the blood stream, but the blood picks up this secretion as it passes through the gland.

Thus the thyroid gland in the neck manufactures a juice—thyroid extract—that prevents the various processes of the body becoming sluggish; the juice "speeds up" all the processes. If too much is being manufactured the heart beats too fast, the limbs tremble, any extra flesh on the body is used up or burned. If not enough of this thyroid extract is being manufactured the body processes slow up—heart beats more slowly, the mind isn't so alert, and fat accumulates upon the body so that the individual becomes heavy and sluggish mentally and physically.

The thyroid gland therefore is like the hair spring in the watch—a regulator of the rate at which the body processes work. Now what can be done if the thyroid gland is manufacturing so much juice that the individual is nervous, has a rapid heart, is lost in weight and tires easily? Surgeons simply remove a large portion of the gland thus cutting down the amount of juice being made.

And what about cases where the individual is not getting enough thyroid juice—is heavy, slow mentally and physically and overweight? The thyroid glands of cattle that have been killed for food purposes are removed and a dried thyroid oil is used in the various processes of the extract can be used which speeds up the various processes of the body. This extract is also used in those cases where too much of the thyroid gland has been removed by surgery.

SONNET LXV

Since brass, nor stone, nor earth, nor boundless sea, nor mortalty o'er-sways their power. How with this rage shall beauty hold a plea, Whose action is no stronger than a flower? O, how shall summer's honey breath hold out. Against the wreckful siege of battering days. When rocks impregnable are not so stout, Nor gates of steel so strong, but Time decays? O fearful meditation! where, alack, Shall Time's best jewel from Time's chest lie hid? Or what strong hand can hold his swift foot back? Or who his spoil of beauty can forbid? O, none, unless this miracle have might, That in black ink my love may still shine bright. —Shakespeare

complications; And this is the sort of thing which Mussolini would have us think is inseparable from human relationships. But there will always be people, let us hope, who will refuse to believe it and who will work for a saner order of society. It is a question of whether man's better or worse nature shall prevail.—Hamilton Spectator.

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.

HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

Sir,—We have read the item appearing in both the Guardian and Patriot in regard to an open season on Hungarian Partridge. That in the Patriot quotes Premier Campbell as stating there is no open season this year. In answer to that statement a correspondent states that he finds in looking-up the law that there is undoubtedly an open season after October 15th, 1936. Now, Sir, we are very much perplexed as to the real state of affairs.

Several of our prominent sportsmen tell us that they are preparing to shoot on October 15th as the law is then open with no time-limit, no bag-limit, or protection in any way. Will you please give us a definite answer regarding this important matter through the columns of your valuable paper.

I am, Sir, etc.,
LOVER OF CLEAN SPORT
(Inspector Fripps of the R.C.M. P. advises that it is illegal to shoot Hungarian Partridge, and if our correspondent will supply him with the names of the sportsmen referred to he will deal with them according to law.—Ed. G.)

Prairie Populations No Longer Increasing

(Winnipeg Free Press)

Reports on the 1936 census of the prairie provinces, a useless expense if there ever was one, are trickling from Ottawa. Perhaps nobody cares what they show but they cost a lot of money, so that some attention to them is in order. It appears that the west is just about holding its own. Some places have fewer people than five years ago, others have more. On the whole, it looks as if the 1936 total for the three provinces will be roughly the same as the 1931 total, which was 2,350,000. The population in these parts is now, in more ways than one, stationary.

Twenty or more years ago this news would have caused an uproar. It was then a point of honor with every western town to keep growing. When the census was taken tobacconists and cigar store Indians were included, everyone over 75 counted two, and people who did not bother to get their names down were in the same class as wife-beaters. If the returns failed to show that Turnip, Sask., or Tornail, Alta., had at last doubled in size, the Board of Trade got busy and shot wires to Ottawa until something was done and the census-takers admitted they had forgotten to count behind the barns. In these days the census was an event.

The spirit seems to be different now. The census was taken last summer amid a calm rivaling that displayed by the Manitoba Legislature at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. There was no excitement. There was no community drive anywhere, or none was reported, to make sure that the enumerators counted everybody. The results it seems, are being received without tears. Several towns have shrunk since 1931, but there is yet no word of anyone telegraphing to the chief of the census bureau that he is a prevaricator. This fact should be worth noting by the social historian. It indicates the death of the booster spirit.

In the years of colonization it would have been risky to raise this question in public. People thought then that the population of the West could keep on growing, with everybody happy, for an indefinite period. As a working theory for the guidance of the politicians, this was

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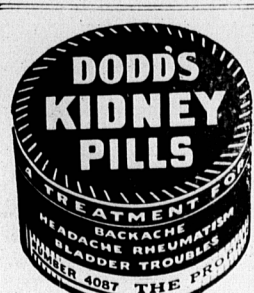


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accurate enough while the country was empty. The West could, and did, take on as many people as the Atlantic boats were capable of bringing over at 20 or even 25 knots. No harm was done, except perhaps that too many railway lines were built, by acting on the belief in limitless growth of population. It looks now as if this belief has to be discarded. It even looks a little, in view of the census figures, as if the West has all the people it can hold—pending, as we said, a colossal windfall.

We give you Sweden and Denmark as examples. Nearer home take Prince Edward Island, which had had 85,000 people, no more and no less, for 70 years. Prince Edward Island has had only one divorce since 1867 and it seems, from its total failure to produce news at any time, to be one of the happiest spots going. We suggest, then, a new slogan for use by Western towns on their signposts: "You are now entering the town of Earwig. Population, 1,856. Watch us stay put."



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