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“BY THE BOOK”

The Liberal organ in its issue of yesterday says: “In the debate in the Commons which took place in November, 1932, as recorded in Hansard, page 906 we find Mr. Bennett declaring his policy as follows: ‘We have closed the doors of the world’s markets. We have shut out the foreigner. That is one thing we have done.’ This was Bennett’s reply to a question asked by Mr. Young, Liberal, Weyburn, Sask. The debate was on the Ottawa agreement. Mr. A. E. MacLean, M.P. for Prince County, was discussing the subject.”

DOG TRADE IN SKYE

The Skye pioneers have many devotees in this Province to whom the following comment in the Edinburgh Scotsman will be of interest: “For countless numbers of years hatter has been the only system of trading by which the island crofters in Skye have been able to dispose of their supplies of eggs, but now, through the guidance of the daughter of the Chief of the Clait MacLeod, Mrs. MacLeod, an efficient marketing scheme has been evolved. The crofters have been accustomed to exchange their eggs with shopkeepers and merchants for provisions and other necessities. Now, buyers in Glasgow are accepting all the eggs produced in the island. Under the scheme the eggs are tested, graded, and packed, each egg being guaranteed by the stamp ‘Guvnagon tested.’ How popular the system has become may be gathered from the statement that whereas in the first week of its operation only 60 dozen eggs were marketed, the figure for a recent week was over 200,000.”

ROUSING SPEECHES

The Prime Minister’s stirring speech at Halifax, a summary of which appeared in yesterday’s Guardian, came as an effective antidote to the pessimistic utterances of Liberal politicians and newspapers regarding Canada’s trade situation. It was a masterly review of governmental policies and achievements which have brought this country, during an era of unprecedented world depression, into the van of trade progress. Mr. Bennett had little difficulty in showing that his Liberal predecessors, on quitting office, had “succeeded” in having the United States and other world countries place against Canada the highest tariffs they had ever raised against Canadian goods; that there was a heavy adverse trade balance along with a legacy of increased debts and increasing unemployment. The first action of the Conservative Government had been to vote \$20,000,000 for unemployment and direct relief; to protect the home market against those countries which had raised high tariffs against Canadian producers; and to prevent the unfair practice of dumping. These measures gave more employment to home industries and helped to swing the balance of trade from an adverse to a favorable condition. During the world economic crisis which followed, the Government

succeeded in maintaining Canada’s credit at home and abroad, and from the passing of the Empire agreements in 1932, which were negotiated at the instance of the Canadian Prime Minister, there has been a steady expansion of our overseas trade. As an instance of this expansion, Mr. Bennett cited the growth of trade through the ports of Nova Scotia. In 1932 the total imports passing through all Nova Scotia ports had been \$14,983,000; this year it reached a total of \$18,374,000. Of this trade Halifax handled \$12,157,000 and the tonnage of ships had been higher than in any previous year in the port’s history. Exports which in 1932 totaled \$36,000,000, this year soared to \$62,978,000, the trade of Halifax growing in that time from \$26,000,000 to \$49,000,000. This would have been timely material for analysis by the Nova Scotia commission which recently reported to the Macdonald Government—if that commission really were concerned about a non-partisan inquiry into the province’s trade conditions, which it obviously was not. Hon. E. N. Rhodes, Dominion Finance Minister, also dealt with the success of the Empire agreements, pointing out our export trade with Empire countries increased by 51 per cent. since the pacts were negotiated. This fact is highly significant, inasmuch as the agreements will terminate in July 1937. In the life of the next Parliament, and it will depend upon the attitude of the government then in power whether they will be continued.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A lot of money is going into circulation from the sale of fox pelts. Mails are getting heavier and heavier. Stores have been exceptionally busy recently and will get still busier from now on. Christmas-tide is as good as any other for the appointment of a special prohibition officer in the City. The Ottawa agreements, the Premier showed at Halifax, saved Canada from bankruptcy, yet the Liberals opposed them and would nullify them. The agreements expired in 1937, and it will be for the electors to say whether they prefer bankruptcy to a renewal of the agreements. A delegation from the Ontario Provincial Women’s Council, waited on the acting Premier, Hon. Harry C. Nixon and asked, among other things, that “a road be opened between Sudbury and Killarney.” One of the reasons for wishing construction of the road, the resolution said, was “to prevent so much racial intermarriage.” Dr. Stephen Leacock, William Dow Professor of Political Economy, and chairman of that department at McGill University, but perhaps better known as Canada’s foremost humorist, has been awarded the Mark Twain Medal by the International Mark Twain Society “in recognition of his outstanding contributions to humor and biography,” according to an announcement just made. Previous recipients of the medal include Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States, Rudyard Kipling and Willa Cather. Acquitted of the Quebec “poison candy” murder of Gregoire Raymond’s two young sons, Mrs. Aureole Lavigne Dagenais has turned on her accusers with an action for \$12,000 damages against Raymond on the ground that he fastened suspicion on her in order to escape it himself. The suit has been entered at St. Jerome by Mr. Oscar Gagnon, who defended Mrs. Dagenais at trial. The former nurse of the two dead boys declares the accusation against her was brought with malicious intent so that Raymond could himself escape suspicion. The amount sought as damages is to compensate her for humiliation she suffered in being accused of murdering the boys, whom she loved, and for compensation for injury to her reputation not only because of Raymond’s reflections upon her moral character.

Britain is to provide against further water famines in a permanent fashion. The last two summers, excessively dry, created alarm. A number of districts were placed on rations, and great cities saw their supply threatened. Now Sir Edward Hilton Young, Minister of Health

Notes By The Way

An experiment unprecedented in the history of the world is brought to the point of initiation with the completion of the report of the British parliamentary committee that for eighteen months has been at work in London upon constitutional reforms for India. This experiment aims at handing over the reins of self-government to elected representatives of 30,000,000 heterogeneous people split into fragments by age-old antagonisms of creed, civilization, race, language and caste, besides being so illiterate that only 156 men and 29 women in a thousand are able to read and write.—Christian Science Monitor.

Dean Inge in his latest book “Vale” gives evidence that his salt has not lost its savour. He has a word for those tempted by the economic urge. He says:—“A clergyman has no right to cause unnecessary distress to old-fashioned believers. Most Liberal churchmen think that miracles cannot be proved in such a way as to carry conviction to apostles, and, what is more important, that they would not be so established, they do not prove what the Christian really wishes to believe. But they would not have entered the ministry of the Church if they were not convinced that belief in the divinity of Christ can be founded on a secure basis. It is for them to build up the faith of others on the foundation which they themselves have found sufficient, and this can be done without attacking the traditional arguments round which the faith of many sincere Christians has twined itself.”

A recent visitor to England comes back with the tale that there has been a marked change in the attitude of the upper class Englishman toward “trade.” The old idea of the Navy, Army and the Church for the sons of prominent families was to go into the City and do the City work. There has grown up a new type of business man, represented by young men who have become “careerists” in business. They are public school men, who have finished off at Cambridge or Oxford or the well-known English universities. They have not only received a sound academic training, but have travelled extensively, know one or more foreign languages and have a command of the history and literature of the world. Their business ability is undoubted and as our informant says, “The new type of English business man is far more progressive than his American prototype.”

The go-getter is always a man of vision. He sees his objectives before he puts his mind and his hands to his task. He is confident, warm in courage, and rich in his aspirations. He has no boundaries. He may be down at times—but never out. He never acknowledges defeat. The go-getter has no time to complain, no time to fuss around on trivial affairs. His is a long, deep job—a life of golden opportunity. There is so much to do—so many different kinds of things to do—so little time in which to do them. But this doesn’t confuse the go-getter; for he does one thing at a time and he does it well. Each new achievement makes him more confident, abler, and more determined to surpass himself.

The scientist never fears that science will perish because his own scientific theories are rejected. He knows that science is greater than his explanation of it. The steadfast stars abide whatever capriciousness may reside in the hearts of men. The steady and working facts are always there and science builds its window toward the heavens knowing that at the appointed time the light will stream through in all its effluence.

Charles Levy, formerly Golden-brown when he sold oranges in the streets of Algeria, and his brother Joseph Levy who have figured largely in financial matters for the last ten years are in prison for fraud. Their bank obtained a state concession to issue bonds for the reconstruction of liberated regions. As in the Stavisky case, there was a link between the authorities and these handlers of hundreds of millions of public money in the person of the secretary to a prominent statesman. Similarly, too, a half dozen different companies, all controlled by the same person, were set up with each other and kept the ball in the air until suspicion became too strong and the Levys were apprehended.

Is the great trek of women out of the small island into business and professional life beginning to slacken? Are they beginning to turn around and go back to the homes in the conviction that the home is a pretty good place after all? If so, the depression has accomplished something that the anti-suffragists and the viewers with alarm gave up some time ago.—Albany Knickerbocker Press.

Mr. Godfrey Collins, Secretary for Scotland, has decided on a comprehensive inland survey. A committee composed of persons outside the Government departments will be appointed to advise on the survey and on progress of the measures to be taken. This committee will be empowered to make recommendations for any further measures they consider necessary, and to set out the conclusions to be drawn from the information received, after which concrete action will be considered. In this connection something should be done to start an irrigation scheme for the Prairie Provinces. The only hope for the avoidance of these disastrous droughts is a well planned and economically conceived irrigation program.

That Body of Pours

By James W. B. M.D.

DUODENAL STASIS—STOFPAGE OR SLOWING UP OF DIGESTION

Although the majority of us would sooner be thin than fat, being too thin often carries with it a number of penalties. One of the results of not having enough fat between the abdominal organs is a “dropping” of the stomach and intestines which interferes with the proper digestion and absorption of food. Just as the stomach juices sometimes stop working leaving the food in an undigested state for many minutes, so also with the rest of the small intestine into which the stomach empties. Thus it has been found that many middle aged individuals, particularly women, suffering with bilious attacks, one-sided headaches, migraines, indigestion and constipation, when examined by the barium meal and X ray have no organic condition, but simply a pause or stoppage in digestion in the duodenum. This is called duodenal stasis and Dr. J. Friedenwald and M. Feldman, Baltimore, tell us that these patients are usually of the “enteropleptic” type, that is there is a falling of volume downward of the intestines. They state that the signs of stasis can often only be definitely shown by means of the barium meal and X ray.

Unfortunately the stasis or stoppage may not be present just the time the X ray examination is made, which means that this examination may have to be made a number of times before it is discovered. The definite proof that it is the duodenum that is at fault is the extra length of time that it takes to empty itself during or immediately after the attack of biliousness, migraine, or indigestion. In the treatment of duodenal stasis, a healthy and nourishing diet, more moving of the body by exercise, and the use of an abdominal belt, give the best results. Just why many of these sufferers object to wearing an abdominal belt has not been explained. The belt not only raises the intestines to their proper position, preventing the usual symptoms, but gives support to the whole body, enabling the individual to be up and about taking an interest in life.

All About Shakespeare

(Time) One day in 1926 a husky cornfed Texan named Anderson Baten opened his Dallas cottage, reputed the first volume of the Encyclopedia Britannica, and began reading about “AABENBRAA,” a town of Denmark. Two years later, without having skipped a word between, he came to “ZYGOITE, the biological term for the fertilized egg,” closed the book and volunteered to bed. Next morning he arose at 6 o’clock, took a five-mile walk with his wife. After breakfast he sat down at his desk in the centre of a horseshoe of bookshelves. Anderson Baten had left his study some time between 2 and 3 o’clock the next morning. A Complete Dictionary of Shakespeare had been definitely started. Into this compilation during the next few days Anderson Baten packed a definition and discussion of every one of the 15,000 words Shakespeare ever used. The word “love” which the Elizabethan found 2559 occasions to mention. Each locality mentioned in Shakespeare’s plays and poems was carefully described. A biography of each historical character was written and a sketch of the origins of each fictitious one. The Dukes of Bedford and Beaufort made particular trouble because Shakespeare referred to several without bothering to distinguish between them. Summarized were all the scholarly comments on every disputed passage, and the Baconian theory was exhaustively surveyed. By last week Anderson Baten had finished writing into his 1,500,000-word Complete Dictionary every last word of information about Shakespeare he could lay his hands on. Then he journeyed North to deliver the final section of his bulky manuscript to his publishers, John C. Winston Co., Philadelphia. It will be sent them the first part five months ago, they did not know he was writing the Shakespeare dictionary. But last week Lexicographer William Dodge Lewis, editor of the Winston Co., Philadelphia, was sure that it was “one of the monumental works of all time.”

A Calgary Sanctuary

(Exchange) An interesting result of the establishment of the Englewood Bird Sanctuary in East Calgary is reported by the Calgary Herald. During the past two years over 6,000 persons have found pleasure in watching the ducks and geese that frequent this retreat in winter. Nature has here provided a large body of water, fed by springs within the estate of Colonel Walker, which remains open throughout the coldest winter. It is no uncommon sight to find upwards of five thousand birds wintering in the sanctuary, retained there only by the lure of the food which is provided for them through the energies of the Calgary Fish and Game Association.

Monsters Of The Deep

(Winnipeg Free Press) The carcass of a sea serpent has been found washed up on the shores of a small island north of Vancouver Island. Whether it is accurately described as a sea serpent is immaterial, for whatever the creature resembles it was a monster of the deep, and is a survivor of marine creatures which have existed in the Mesozoic age, but thought to have been long extinct. The discovery of the carcass in a two-month state of decomposition may vindicate the veracity and the accuracy of hundreds of perceptions which have for two years been reporting seeing incredible beasts cowering in the waters near the British Columbia coast line. It dispels absurdity from statements about a monster having been seen intermittently in Scotland’s Loch Ness, and it can be accepted more convincingly as circumstantial evidence supporting the reality of the occupancy of Lake Okanagan by the Gogopog. The configuration of the

Sir Andrew Macphail At The Empire Club

(Toronto Mail and Empire) Someone said to Sir Andrew Macphail after his speech to the Empire Club yesterday that the audience would not have “stood for” his program. Sir Andrew replied: “The point is that an epigram must not be quite true, for if it is quite true it becomes a platitude.” The inference is that in some of his more daring passages the brilliant professor from McGill deliberately over-emphasized his argument in order to drive it home. His subject was: “The Goat and the Vine.” In the old fable the Goat gnawed the Vine to the roots, but the Vine grew again and yielded grapes when the Goat lay dead upon the altar. According to the speaker, Germany has revived and the deduction, of course, being that Germany has revived and is enjoying no such experience. The professor was critical of French action throughout the war, and of the difficulty which Great Britain experienced in meeting French demands. Over and over again France left the British to save the Allied cause on the western front. The speaker went to some length in praising Von Hindenburg and the youth movement in Germany, which he said will not be as great as the youth movement of the United States without getting a baubee in return. It was turned down by farmers. It was a farmer’s victory, and they sent it to the dump of political perdition because it was a cold-blooded attempt to ruin the agricultural industry of Canada, to enrich the U. S. farmers, and send the tillers of our soil to break the bread of poverty and distress. That is what is meant by Premier Bennett’s declaration that Conservative reciprocity will not be a measure of sacrifice, but a trade compact in which Canada will receive beneficial trade in compensation for trading benefits conferred on the Republic. It is of purest sense, directly the opposite of the Liberal policy of jughanded free trade or give everything getting nothing in return. I am, Sir, etc. REAL RECIPROCIITY.



THE ARTIST He gave them beauty, But they said: ‘O artist, give us Truth instead.’ He gave them truth, and in their pain, They cried: ‘Oh give us Beauty again.’ —Hugh Robert Orr, in the Christian Register.

THE IMBECILE ARGUMENT

Sir,—In the kindergarten department of the Mackenzie King boomer we are often treated with that sagacity so familiar to childhood. Its crystal reading amuses, as baby theatricals always do. Heppburn in Ontario, backed by the combined emperances and ill-quit forces, on the crest of a wave of unrest, defeated a purely local administration, with the aid of illusive promises of work for everybody, socialists or saints. The defeated government was in power twenty-five years, but its decrepitude and loaded with an unpopular beer bill. Ergo, Mackenzie King, a political weakling, without a policy, divested of the confidence of many of his leading supporters and openly denounced by foremost Liberal newspapers, can, per the quixotic Patriot, defeat the Hon. R. B. Bennett, a sincere churchman, a total abstainer, unallied with any unpopular faction, outstanding in the suppression of the evils of socialism and the support of every moral code, and backed up by policies that have lifted Canada first from the maelstrom of depression, and having the confidence of the very voters who look upon him as a very transient term of office. These analogies of the King organ are too childish for anything except to laugh at. The biggest party success the Conservatives ever had, in Ontario and Nova Scotia, were in the days when both provinces were under Liberal provincial rule. And for the simple reason that the local rule, as in Ontario and Nova Scotia today, became so disgusting that the electorate would not trust them to rule at Ottawa. I am, Sir, etc. A. B. C.

EVENT OF GENERATION

(By The Canadian Press) MELBOURNE, Dec. 11—Review by the Duke of Gloucester of units representing all branches of the Australian military forces was the first royal review here for 33 years. The last was when his father King George visited Melbourne as Duke of Cornwall and York in 1901.

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RECIPROCIITY BLUFF

Sir,—The Greater organ’s latest bluff is summed up in its splurge of last Wednesday, thus:—“Reciprocity is, as has been frequently stated in these columns, a leading plank of Liberal policy.” Outside of the unpendable utterances of the Patriot there is not a scintilla of evidence to show the Liberal party, at any time in its history, in favor of reciprocity with the United States, and you may bet your last dollar that when Hon. R. B. Bennett, submits his reciprocity treaty to Parliament for approval, it will be opposed tooth and nail by Mackenzie King and his whole party, including the Patriot, just as viciously as they opposed the marketing bill, the New Zealand and Australian treaties, the Imperial Conference and every trade expansion bill presented to Parliament by the Government. The defeated Taft-Felding treaty of 1911 is a favourite bluff to hoodwink those who know nothing about it. That treaty was turned down by the people because there wasn’t the faintest semblance to reciprocity in it. It was purely Liberal policy to give away every hope of our farmers to the United States without getting a baubee in return. It was turned down by farmers. It was a farmer’s victory, and they sent it to the dump of political perdition because it was a cold-blooded attempt to ruin the agricultural industry of Canada, to enrich the U. S. farmers, and send the tillers of our soil to break the bread of poverty and distress. That is what is meant by Premier Bennett’s declaration that Conservative reciprocity will not be a measure of sacrifice, but a trade compact in which Canada will receive beneficial trade in compensation for trading benefits conferred on the Republic. It is of purest sense, directly the opposite of the Liberal policy of jughanded free trade or give everything getting nothing in return. I am, Sir, etc. REAL RECIPROCIITY.

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