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How Does It Balance?

Not only has the Lea Government got an Auditor, but it now has also an Assistant Auditor, to whom the Auditor in his preface to the Public Accounts gives considerable praise for his work in connection with the various departments.

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Sorely Bewildered

The rabbit trick had nothing on our contemporary's spectacular efforts yesterday to juggle a surplus out of the Lea Government's quarter million dollar deficit as shown by its own Public Accounts.

We sympathize with the middle into which our contemporary has got in its endeavour to produce the "surplus" rabbit. In the circumstances, the mix-up in its figures was unavoidable. Wouldn't it have been

better to have made a clean breast of the whole thing, and come out plainly with the truth that the Lea Government has been spending money like drunken sailors, and has again sunk the Province in debt, this time to the tune of a quarter of a million dollars?

The Canadian National Hotel

The opening of the Canadian National Hotel last evening was a gala event. This was as it should be, since the importance of the hotel to the Province, both as an encouragement to the tourist industry and as an attractive centre for social activities, can scarcely be overemphasized.

Since the disastrous fire which destroyed the Victoria Hotel on January 12, 1929, it was the ambition of public spirited citizens to interest the Canadian National Railways in the project of constructing a first class hotel in this city.

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On May 3, 1929, came the announcement from Ottawa that an initial amount of \$200,000 was included in the railway estimates for a C. N. R. hotel in Charlottetown. Following this announcement, on June 10, Vice President Hungerford and party of C. N. R. officials visited Charlottetown and inspected a number of available sites.

Obviously, the task of producing a "surplus" out of an empty hat was too much for the Liberal organ this time. Apart from the fact that its figures are all mixed up, there are many other things wrong with its method of presenting the accounts.

The three-column heading: "Public Accounts Show That the Province had a Surplus of More than \$15,000 for the Year 1930" does not correspond with the statement at the bottom of the page—in very much smaller type—which reads: "Increase of liabilities over 1929, \$234,581.23."

Notes by the Way

As a theory, communism has its merits; says the Detroit Free Press but it has worked out in Soviet Russia it destroys human values in order to create material things, whereas American industrial democracy, with all its faults, at least releases the energies of every member of it and places a premium on ability and diligence.

If the fading of the Nazi power merely reflected the bad strategy of Hitler, then one might expect an increase of Communism and uncertain future. If, on the other hand, it implied that Germans as a whole were returning to a sounder view of themselves and the world, it would mean release from a dangerous pressure which has spread doubt and uncertainty through Europe and which may be almost as much a cause as an effect of the strain under which peoples and statesmen are everywhere labouring.

Social Service Conferences

The annual meetings of the Provincial branch of the Social Service Council of Canada, which will be held today and on Thursday in the Heart Memorial Hall, are of special interest this year in view of the fact that a number of prominent officials of the Dominion Council are expected to attend.

A leading railway president has recently declared that a public address that would steal rather than starve. The assertion that it is justifiable to steal rather than starve is either merely academic or it is an excuse for stealing, a moral covering for a weak acceptance of conditions or for a deliberate dishonesty.

In our day men are counted mature at 21 and women at 18, but the divine regulation of the affairs of the Jewish people fixed the maturity of men at 30 years, and that is about right. He is then in possession of his full powers. The way it works out now, a man develops for thirty years, works for thirty years, decays for ten years, and dies at seventy, wondering why it took so long for him to get ready to do so little.

For World Peace

It is significant that the Canadian statesmen who formed this Dominion's efficient Administration during the Great War, have become outstanding exponents of disarmament, international arbitration, and world peace.

This phenomenal winter has given new popularity to the ever-recurring illusion that the winters are milder than they used to be, as many old-timers will solemnly assure you they are. But three facts work against this theory: First, that it is largely due to the fact that we now have better housing and heating, so that we feel the stress of winter less.

Grounds for Optimism

The observation taken by the Chicago Daily news in regard to business depressions is well worth noting. Although the conditions described are pertaining to the United States, a similar line of reasoning can be followed for this Dominion, and there is every reason for a similarly optimistic point of view here:

There was a business depression in 1857 lasting 12 months. There was a business depression in 1869 lasting eight months. There was a business depression in 1873 lasting 30 months. There was a business depression in 1884 lasting 22 months. There was a business depression in 1893 lasting 10 months. There was a business depression in 1893 lasting 25 months. There was a business depression in 1903 lasting 25 months. There was a business depression in 1907 lasting nearly 12 months. There was a business depression in 1914 lasting eight months. There was a business depression in 1921-22 lasting 14 months. All of them came to an end except this one. It will, too.

That Body of Ours



By James W. Barton, M.D.

REMOVING TONSILS WITHOUT SURGERY

The removal of tonsils by the knife which gets right down underneath the tonsils and removes them completely and cleanly, is still considered the best method.

It has been definitely shown that these stumps that are left in, can be just as harmful if not more so, than the whole tonsil.

However there are cases where the patient dreads the operation or dreads the anaesthetic; other cases that are bleeders, that is bleed easily and the flow is hard to stop; others where there is organic trouble in heart, lungs, or kidneys where it is not considered wise or safe to use the knife.

Dr. L. J. Silvers, New York tells us the advantages of this method. The advantages are (a) no shock or pain as the tonsil is sprayed with an anaesthetic before the electro-coagulation treatment begins (b) there is no bleeding and where the patient is a natural "bleeder" the bleeding is easily controlled (c) there is no chance of infection because the electric heat kills all organisms (d) patient doesn't have to lay up at home or hospital (e) patient can eat his meals after the treatment, no pain or difficulty in swallowing (f) patient goes to the doctor's office without any fear or dread.

What are the disadvantages of this method? (a) The patient has to go a number of times to the doctor's office before the job is complete. Dr. Silvers doesn't state the number of times but it may be six or sixteen, or even more. During all this time the infective tonsils may be causing harm to the system, as rheumatism and heart disease are usually due to infected tonsils.

(b) The number of physicians or surgeons that have really mastered this method is not large; and when the work is done by inexperienced operators, serious damage may be done to the throat.

In addition to the above disadvantages as presented by Dr. Silvers is that when the electro-coagulation treatment is not effective or done properly, and the tonsils have to be finally removed by surgery—the knife—the surgeon has a most difficult job because of the mass of hard scar tissue which may be damaging back infective material. I am speaking again about this electro-coagulation method because there are certainly cases where it would seem to be the best way of getting rid of bad tonsils.

Cancer Research

(Toronto Mail and Empire) Some years ago Lord Alton of Liverpool a reward of \$100,000 for the discovery of a cancer cure. Another offer, with the same object in view, is that of a similar sum made by Mr. W. L. Saunders of New York. To the same end, the King of Sweden donated \$100,000 contributed by his admiring subjects on his recent birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Eischhoff, of London, England, celebrated their golden wedding by giving \$100,000 to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. Mr. Robert Fulton Cutting made a present of \$250,000 to the American Society for the Control of Cancer. A foundation has been created under the direction of Dr. Ellis McDonald at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. McDonald is a graduate of McGill, and a member of a well-known Canadian family. The New York Times now records the establishment of the Anna Fuller Memorial Fund of \$1,500,000, by her surviving husband, Mr. Egbert C. Fuller. The peculiar feature of this trust fund is that the interest upon it is bestowed at five-year intervals.

It is a wholesome indication that the young bloods of this generation are striving to think out the needs and problems of our present civilization in different terms, and in terms consistent with the new order of international converse and fellowship which requires statesmanlike readjustment to conditions which render war an act akin to lunacy, which must needs be controlled and directed along peaceful channels or otherwise bankrupt our claims to being the heritors of an enlightened and progressive age.

In Great Britain, where litigants under the Poor Persons Act obtain divorces at an average cost of \$10, and in some instances for less than half that, it is reported that letters of gratitude are very rarely received from the applicants. The reason may be that the divorced persons think they are entitled to free service from courts and lawyers and regard the nominal charges as more than enough. It may also be that they are so overjoyed at the opportunity to marry someone else that they forget to render thanks where it is due. It is a habit of persons who find marriage a failure to jump into it again at the first chance.

In his speech in the Senate, Hon. F. L. Schaffner made an interesting reference to the comparative value of Canada's trade commissioners abroad and of our ministers plenipotentiary at Washington, Paris and Tokio. In part he said, "Our ministers plenipotentiary are possibly essential, but I am confident that trade agents and trade commissioners, granted that they are men of energy, industry and experience, are the soundest means of extending our trade with foreign countries. It has been my privilege to come into contact with our trade commissioners in several foreign countries, and it has ever been my belief that the man who is in close touch with the people of any of these foreign countries can do more for the extension of our trade than the so-called ministers plenipotentiary, who, however good they may be, do not come into contact with the 'man on the street'—do the trade com-

The Poet's Corner



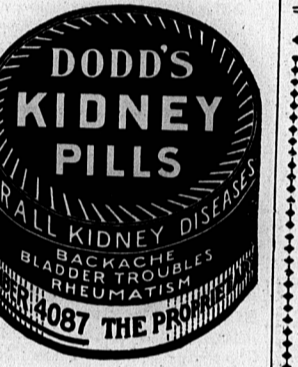
SPRING SONNET

The first glad token of the Spring is here That bears each time one miracle the more, For in the sunlight is the golden ore, The joyous promise of a waking year; And in that promise all clouds disappear And youth itself comes back as once before, For only dreams are real in April's store When buds are bursting and the skies are clear.

Fair season! at your touch the sleeping land Quickens to rapture, and a rosy flame Is the old signal of awakening; Thus in a mystery I understand The deepest meaning of your lovely name. How it will be in that perpetual Spring.

—Thomas S. Jones, Jr.

upon such person or persons as shall make "a real outstanding contribution to knowledge of the cause, care, prevention or cure of cancer." This form of bequest widens the character of the search and might be emulated by rich Canadians who think of giving money for the defeat of a dread disease.



SPECIAL DEALS

for This Week

- Coty's Face Powder and Perfume \$1.50 for \$1.00. Evening in Paris Face Powder and Perfume, \$1.50 for \$1.00. Three Flowers Face Powder and Perfume \$1.50 for \$1.00. Finaux Face Powder and Combination Cream \$1.50 for \$1.00. Colgate's Tooth Paste, 2 tubes 5c and 1 Tooth Brush 5c. Each \$1.00. Palm Olive Shaving Cream and New Gillette Razor 60c for 50c. Only a limited number of each deal. Get yours early.

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FELLOWS' SYRUP

EXTENSION OF TIME FEED THE BIRDS CONTEST

The Guardian offers prizes of \$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.00 to each of the three Counties to children Feeding, Counting, and Writing the Best Story about the Birds visiting their farms. This contest closes April 15. For further particulars read regularly "Agricola's" Notes in The Guardian. NOTE:—Time extended owing to unfavourable weather.

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