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Morning Maxim
Most people are firmly convinced that they could make a success of
life if they only had time.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT

Barefaced misstatements regard-
ing conditions in Queen's County
Jail are featured in double column
type on yesterday's editorial page
of our local contemporary. Its at-
tempt to raise a tempest in a
teapot is understandable in view
of the sorry record of the Liberal
Government in the matter of jail
discipline and justice administra-
tion generally, but it cannot dis-
guise, even by exaggerated reports,
the fact that there has been a
marked change for the better since
the Stewart Government took
control. The few disturbances
which have occurred, due to condi-
tions, at present unavoidable, of
overcrowding, have been investi-
gated and have resulted in strict-
er discipline and better order. It
is not a fact, as our contempora-
ry alleges, that the jail inmates
"are still able to enjoy the deli-
cious effects of intoxication."
Such statements would have come
with much more truth from the
Liberal organ during the regime
of its own party. At that time,
however, its whole efforts were di-
rected to suppressing the facts.
Our contemporary apparently
forgets that under the Saunders-
Lea Government disturbances in
the jails were of more frequent
and scandalous occurrence than
at any period in the history of
the Province. Citizens of Sum-
merside, including strong Liberal sup-
porters, made repeated protests
against the conditions. The Sum-
merside Town Council and press
protested; but all without any
apparent effect. The seriousness
of the situation was admitted
in the Legislature by Premier
Saunders in the course of a
speech in which he stated his ad-
ministration was practically un-
able to cope with the situation,
the difficulties of which, he said,
had increased "a thousand-fold"
in recent years.

Our contemporary also forgets
that in the last full year of the
Lea Government, according to a
statement of Chief Prohibition In-
spector Haywood tabled in the
Legislature in 1931, fifteen con-
victed offenders under the Pro-
hibition Act were allowed to "ab-
scond" without having served a
day's sentence, and fifty-three
other convicted offenders were
at large, their jail sentences "pend-
ing" indefinitely while they con-
tinued to ply their bootleg trade
in open defiance of the law.

It forgets that last year, in the
short time between the passing of
the Ticket of Leave Act by the
Lea Government and the general
provincial election, ten jail pris-
oners serving sentences for breach
of the Prohibition law were releas-
ed under the Act, before their pe-
riod of sentence expired.

It forgets that in June, 1931, a
member of the Lea Government
was subpoenaed into the Prohibi-
tion Court to give evidence of al-
leged interference with the ad-
ministration of justice; that the
evidence supporting this charge
was ruled out by the Lea Gov-
ernment magistrate as being "im-
material," and that an attempt was
made on behalf of the Government
member involved to suppress the
report of the proceedings in the
newspapers.

Our contemporary also forgets
that in an even more serious mat-
ter, namely, the scandalous cir-
cumstances connected with the
finding and burial of a skeleton
at East Point in October, 1930,
believed to be the remains of an
inmate of Falconwood who had
escaped in May, 1928, a coroner's
jury sat on the case and strongly
recommended a general investiga-
tion by the Attorney General's
Department; and that this recom-

NEW DOMESTIC LOANS

An issue of \$80,000,000 of Domini-
on Government bonds will be made
within a few days for purposes
which have been outlined already by
the Minister of Finance. These in-
clude payment of \$34,449,950 out-
standing on account of the old Victo-
ry Loan and maturing November
1, and other federal financing
for railway and general purposes. It
is to be noted in this regard, says
the Montreal Gazette, that in pro-
viding directly for the financial re-
quirements of the Canadian Nation-
al system the Government is giving
effect at once to one of the recom-
mendations of the Royal Commis-
sion on transportation. The
announced total of the new issue is
somewhat less than had been pre-
dicted and expected. It represents,
still, a large sum of money but well
within the capacity of the Canad-
ian public to absorb. There is no lack of
money in the country, the difficulty
being rather the narrowness of the
field in which it can be profitably
and safely employed, and a national
bond issue should prove attractive
to the investor from many points of
view. Previous flotations have been
so. In the early summer of 1931,
subscriptions to the Conversion Loan
amounted to \$638,609,800, though the
4 1/2 per cent. rate of interest was
lower than the War and Victory
loans had been paying, and in No-
vember of the same year the Nation-
al Service Loan of \$150,000,000
was oversubscribed within a week's
time by an amount in excess of \$70-
000,000, the surplus being used for
the purpose of debt reduction. A
few weeks ago the Dominion borrow-
ed \$60,000,000 at four per cent. by
an issue of one-year notes in New
York for conversion purposes, so
that within the past eighteen months
more than \$920,000,000 has been
raised in this program of national
financing, by far the greater part
of it in Canada. Very substantial
savings in interest have been ef-
fected, and the country's credit is
at a very high level, proof of this
being afforded in the very favorable
terms upon which the \$60,000,000
required a month ago was obtained
in New York, while the Government
has secured ample breathing time
in which to take whatever market
advantages may offer.

SIGNS OF IMPROVEMENT

Definite reasons for encourage-
ment are found in a survey of the
news of the last week covering the
business activities of the Dominion.
When an improvement has been
noted in any one direction lately
we have been reminded that one
swallow does not make a summer;
but, notes the Montreal Transcript,
(Liberal) when the swallows continue
to come there are grounds for the
belief that summer is on the way,
and when reports of business im-
provement persist we are forced to
the conclusion that the long
awaited change in the economic
season is approaching. Continuing
the Transcript says:

"An increase in both imports and
exports in Canada's trade with Great
Britain would not necessarily re-
flect an improvement in general
conditions, if it merely meant that
the volume of intra-Empire trade
was being enhanced at the expense
of other trade, desirable as that
might be. Figures for September,
however, show also an increase in
exports to foreign countries other
than the United States, which in-
dicates a most encouraging tendency.

"There can be no over-night
change from conditions which have
made themselves felt during the last
three years to a condition of gen-
eral prosperity. For many people
the coming winter may be the hard-
est yet experienced, but the belief,
now widely entertained, that the
back of the depression has been
broken and that the general trend
is upward will furnish cheer and
encouragement in the struggle which
still must be encountered before
the goal of good times again is
reached."

REBUKED

An effective rebuke was adminis-
tered to the Liberal leader in Par-
liament the other day by Mr. Henri
Bourassa, Independent member for
Labelle. We quote from the Hans-
ard report of Mr. Bourassa's re-
marks:

"The right hon. leader of the
Opposition (Mr. Mackenzie King)
intimated that the Prime Min-
ister had made it impossible for the
Liberal party to support these agree-
ments because he, the Prime
Minister, had stated that they
were founded on Conservative
policies; upon which the leader of
the opposition retorted that the
speeches and doctrines followed
by his party in the past precluded
the Liberals from giving their
approval. I do not want to be dis-
agreeable, but perhaps it would
be more prudent on the part of
the right hon. gentleman not to
speak too much of principles and
doctrines in matters of fact. I
have had close connections with
the Liberal party for many years
past, and the conclusion is forced
upon me that the only fiscal policy
to which that party has adhered
during the last forty years is to
advance a free trade when in op-
position and to protect protection
within in power.

RADIO HEAD HONORED

Citizens of Toronto paid a remark-
able tribute to Mr. Hector Charles-
worth, chairman of the newly
appointed Radio Commission, at a
banquet tendered in his honor in
Toronto this week. The gathering
included outstanding figures rep-
resentative of business, the press,
bench, bar, medical profession, the
pulpit, government and many other
callings. The Rt. Hon. Sir William
Mulock, Administrator of the Pro-
vinces and Chief Justice of Ontario,
was in the chair; and the head

NOTES BY THE WAY

The Governor General of Ire-
land's "relinquishment of office"
is matter for grave regret, but the
position had plainly become im-
possible. That was not Mr. Mc-
Neill's fault. He had lived and
worked with Mr. Cosgrave for
years, and it was only the advent
of Mr. De Valera that caused diffi-
culties here as in other fields. But
when the personal relations of the
Governor General with the Presi-
dent of the Council had degenerat-
ed into perpetual strain and ten-
sion, Mr. McNeill could plainly not
fulfill his functions as representa-
tive of the King in accordance with
the high traditions the King's re-
presentatives in the Dominions
have created. In the matter of the
actual resignation (though it was
not technically that) Mr. de Valera
acted with constitutional correct-
ness.

The extent to which the influ-
ence of the Ottawa Conference
permeates the life of the British
Empire is indicated by the fact
that all the most important econ-
omic resolutions dealt with at the
Unionist Conference at Blackpool
depend upon the corresponding Ot-
tawa decisions. Our export trade
to India, for example: the influx of
South American meat; and the
new policy for agriculture envisag-
ed by Major Walter Elliot have all
been discussed at Ottawa and are
correlated to the needs and econ-
omic policies of the other parts of
the Empire.

Sir Frank E. Smith, secretary of
the Department of Scientific and
Industrial Research, pointed out in
a recent address that craftsmanship
had changed. The craftsman
of today is not now the master of
the tool—the knife or the chisel—
but of the machine, and only if he
knows how and why his machine
exists will he and his industry and
his nation keep pace with modern
progress.

The National Council of Women
wisely rejected certain proposals
for the further amelioration of the
conditions of convicts. There are so
many respectable people outside
prisons today whose condition
could be improved that the very
discussion of these prison questions
is rather remarkable. It does not
seem to be realised by the "reform-
ers"—as they would call themselves
—that people are put in prison for
offences against society, offences
which, if they were to be commit-
ted with impunity, would soon put
the whole community in parlous
and intolerable circumstances. And
the prisoners committed their fe-
lonies in full knowledge of what
they were doing. Society, or the
community, has the right to be
protected from such individuals.
But if the "reformers" make much
more headway it is quite evident
that the prisoners will have to be
protected from them. All the senti-
ments in the world, lavished upon
the victims (as it seems to some
people they are) of penal laws, will
not rouse the faintest spark of
virtuous sentiment in the convicts.

Chinese Music

(Ottawa Journal)
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been reviewing a cinematograph
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That Body of Hours



By James W. Barton, M.D.

HEARTS IN NARROW AND WIDE
INDIVIDUALS
I frequently speak of the grey-
hound and the bull-dog type of
build in men. The greyhound type
is the tall slender individual and
the bull-dog type is thick set with
long body, and legs a little shorter
than the average for other individ-
uals who are not of the pronoun-
ced greyhound or bull-dog type.
In our student days we were
taught to map out on the chest the
underlying heart by means of the
type of sound caused by striking the
chest with the fingers or a little
hammerlike instrument. We thus
learned what were the normal limits
of the heart under the breast bone
and ribs. Thus if a heart were
smaller or larger than what was
considered normal a note was made
of it.

However now that physicians are
considering the different types of
build it has been found that in
persons of average build, 90 per
cent of hearts are within normal
limits. Among those of slender
build the width of the heart is be-
low minus 10 per cent of the nor-
mal in 12 per cent of the cases.
Among those of thick set build the
width or diameter of the heart is
above plus 170 per cent in 11 per
cent of the cases.
In other words the fact that in
a certain percentage of the slender
the heart is narrower than normal,
and wider in the thickest must now
be remembered.

Another interesting point brought
out by Drs. H. A. Treadgold and H.
L. Burton, Great Britain, was the
large number of abnormally small
hearts (23 per cent) among cases
where the strength of the heart was
below normal in striking contrast to
the very small proportion (4 per
cent) of hearts below normal in
strength in those who were thick-
set.

While there may be fewer cases
of high blood pressure among those
of slender build, nevertheless inef-
ficient or hearts below normal in
strength are commonest in those of
slender build.
What can you do about your
heart and the strengthening of it
if you or your youngster, are of
slender build?
For yourself a brisk walk daily
will actually strengthen your heart,
and render you less liable to a
"weak" heart.

For your youngster, plenty of
play outdoors, particularly play
that involves leg work or running.
Leg exercises, by making the heart
pump the blood to the large mus-
cles of the legs, gradually and safely
increase the power of the heart.

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THE WHITE CLIFFS

Woden made the red cliffs, the red
walls of England,
Round the south of Devonshire
they burn against the blue.
Green is the water there; and, clear
as liquid sunlight,
Blue-green as mackerel, the bays
that Raleigh knew.

Thor made the black cliffs, the
battlements of England,
Climbing to Tintagel, where the
white gulls wheel.
Cold are the caverns there, and
sullen as a cannon-mouth,
Booming back the grey swell that
gleams like steel.

Balder made the white cliffs, the
white shield of England,
(Crowned with thyme and violet
where Sussex wheat-ears fly),
White as the White Ensign are the
bouldered heights of Dover.
Beautiful the scutcheon that they
bare against the sky. . . .

—Alfred Noyes, in "Collected Poems"

for home consumption, which are
not met either by domestic sup-
plies or by imports from Ireland,
have created in the Old Country a
large market for potatoes from
Germany, Holland and France.
The Canadian potato has been
ousted from the British market un-
der conditions which Canadian
agricultural authorities have not
hesitated to stigmatize as grossly
unfair.
Dr. Prior last week inspected a
test made near Woodstock of a new
machine which it is claimed suc-
cessfully rids the tuber of all in-
sect pests and would ensure the ex-
port of Canadian potatoes free
from any form of insect life, and
particularly of the Colorado beetle.
Upon the result of that test much
depends for the future of the Can-
adian potato grower. If it is suc-
cessful, a new and happier pros-
pect is in store, for under the Ot-
tawa agreements Canadian pota-
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