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STAY IN CANADA

A native of this Province, now resident in the United States, and purposing to return home in the near future, advises Prince Edward Islanders particularly, and Canadians generally, to remain in their own country. Conditions in the United States cities, he says, are not as rosy as many people think they are. The cities, like those of many other countries, are filling up, with the result that there is much unemployment. It is true, he admits, that many Canadians have secured fairly good positions with fairly good wages and, by their skill and faithfulness have been able to retain them, but this is the exception rather than the rule. Building has heretofore been quite brisk, but the boom is practically over. In several cities in the New England States there are hundreds of vacant houses and many skilled tradesmen are out of employment.

There is no question that, as compared with the United States, Canada has a rosy future before it. The recent industrial depression was only a passing phase, the result of political bumbling and greed of office. The country is rich in natural resources while practically all the natural resources in the United States are nearly exhausted. The forests south of the border are almost wiped out and they are dependent upon Canadian timber for their paper, their building and other purposes. Canada's lumber supply, with proper conservation, is practically inexhaustible. Her mineral resources are known to be practically unlimited and they have scarcely been touched. Gold, iron, nickel, asbestos, coal—all in quantities far exceeding those of any other country in the world, are only beginning to be exploited. Then there are her boundless agricultural possibilities of soil and climate, her ocean frontage on two coasts, her immense rivers—all full of the best fish in the world.

Why should not Canada have a rosy future? She has it to an extent unknown in any country in the world. But Canadians must be true to themselves. The party political blindness that impels men to place the government of their country in the hands of political sharpers and opportunists will not continue indefinitely. Canada must live and prosper in spite of political humbug, but her people must know when they are being humbugged and they have had a lesson, are having it now, that should awaken them.

The present cityward trend which is now almost world-wide, must end in the not distant future for the cities must be fed and the only feeder is the country. We in Prince Edward Island have nothing to fear except the modern tendency to leave the farm. We have vacant farms in Prince Edward Island on which a man of enterprise and courage could make a better and surer living than he could make in a subordinate position in a city. When this is fully realized by our young men fewer of them will go to the cities and there will be fewer vacant farms and more prosperity.

WILL THE BE PUNISHED?

Mr. Doucet, M.P. for Kent Co., N.B., has intimated that the Conservative members of the Customs Committee will recommend that the criminal proceedings be taken against the Customs Officials who have been found guilty of fraud and other offences. Referring editorially to the result of the investigation so far, the Ottawa Journal says:—"Out of the maze of contradictory testimony one thing is all too vivid. It is the dreadful thing that the collection of millions of dollars of revenue at Canada's largest port has for years been in the hands of men like Bisailon and his friends. These men, on their own testimony, were both fools and knaves. They were recreant, ment-

viciously recreant to duty. And they had confederates, protectors at Ottawa. They sent presents of stolen whiskey to a Cabinet Minister, wrote him letters of almost endearment. They were on terms of intimacy with two members of the Civil Service Commission. They were the associates of bootleggers and denizens of the Montreal underworld. They were brazen in wrong-doing, unafraid.

These men should be prosecuted. They should be made an example of for potential transgressors of the future. But justice should not stop there. It should reach out to the Ministers of the Crown who betrayed, disgraced their trust. It should reach the Minister—still advising the Crown—who stayed an order of a Court of Justice to protect a convicted bootlegger. It should reach an ex-Minister, friend and associate of Bisailon, still in public life. It should reach high officials in the Customs Department, who have been shown unworthy of their posts. Anything short of that should not satisfy the public that the inquiry has been prosecuted with fearlessness, impartiality, or justice."

This 24th of May is different.

If in many years the British Empire had cause to celebrate Empire Day with more than ordinary gratitude than usual it was this year. The constitutional government had been threatened right at the heart of the Empire but steady, brave Englishmen prevailed in a high average of good morals and behavior prevails in our island home. We can also point with pride to the fact that for half a century our Province has fulfilled to the letter every article of the compact it entered into with the Dominion in 1873. If faith was broken—and it was notoriously broken—it was not on our part. Our Province waited and suffered forty years for fulfillment of the promise of daily steam communication with the Mainland—a cruel wrong and outrage—but we accepted no reprisals.

While we write this, mail communication is again cut off for want of a ferry steamer fit to make a nine-mile trip in a moderate gale. Half of our railway mileage and rolling stock is still of one gauge and half of another, and freight has to be man-handled from car to car with continuous labor, loss and delay—a humiliation to which no other province would submit without revolt—and this on the Government Railway!

It is not to be wondered at that there has been indignation in England over the fact that a fund has been raised in Canada to aid those who "challenged constitutional government" at the heart of the British Empire. Nor does it help Canada to know that those instrumental in raising the fund and in giving assurances of moral and financial support are well paid officials of the King Government. It is a significant fact that Russia and Canada are the only countries in the world that have offered their sympathy and their financial support to those who deliberately attempted to wreck British constitutional government; significant and regrettable also that the Red element is so strongly entrenched in Canada that the Government must yield to it.

The fighting spirit seems to have taken possession of the world these days. Never probably in history has there been so much revolutionary activity, never so much unrest. The nations are pressing the lid down tight on recognized evils but the evils, like compressed steam, persist in blowing off the lid. Nations have been disarming to keep them from fighting, but each with its hand on the remaining gun is watching the other.

Morality, religion, politics are all boiling over with nostrums for the conversion of the other and their seems to be no conversion and no peace. Everyone else is wrong and we wrong are trying to set the other right. Until each correct his own errors and his own wrong-doing, there is little hope for betterment. They were recreant, ment-

Notes by the Way

Divorces are increasing in Canada, not very fast, but still increasing. Five hundred and fifty-one decrees were issued in 1925 as against 548 in 1924, thus making the highest record since the Dominion was established. Of these divorces 134 were issued by Parliament, which handles the Ontario and Quebec cases, and 417 by the courts in other provinces. British Columbia heads the list with 150 cases, while Ontario comes second with 121 and Alberta third with a record of 101. These are followed in the list by Manitoba 79, in Saskatchewan 42, Nova Scotia 39, New Brunswick 15, and Quebec 13. Prince Edward Island holds the post of honor, having no divorces in 1925 and but one since uniting with the Dominion in 1873.

The facts above stated have been published by the Federal Bureau of Statistics. They stand to the credit of the people of our fair Province along with certain other facts of similar significance. The statistics of vice and crime compiled from the court records in all the Provinces show that for 52 years since this Province united with Canada it has held the distinction of being the freest from disorder and crime in proportion to population.

The stated facts would not justify any assumption that Prince Edward Island is peopled by saints alone. Far from it! Our preachers tell us that we are all miserable sinners, and an inner consciousness of the strictness of the Higher Law, compels the admission that what the preachers tell us is true. Our point is this, that during half a century past Prince Edward Island has, in many ways, set a good example to the other Provinces of Canada. The facts above set forth establish that claim.

It is not necessary to prove that every man in this Province "wears the white shirt of a blameless life" in order to establish that a high average of good morals and behavior prevails in our island home. We can also point with pride to the fact that for half a century our Province has fulfilled to the letter every article of the compact it entered into with the Dominion in 1873. If faith was broken—and it was notoriously broken—it was not on our part. Our Province waited and suffered forty years for fulfillment of the promise of daily steam communication with the Mainland—a cruel wrong and outrage—but we accepted no reprisals.

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Prince Edward Island has done or attempted no wrong against Canada, or against any other Province; made no Land Grabs, no refusal to pay taxes. But she has suffered cruel wrongs, neglects, humiliations and losses of her very life blood and borne them with a marvellous patience and forbearance. In all these relations between our Provincial Government and the Federal Authorities this Province has acted on the sound moral principle that it is better to suffer wrong than to do wrong. This Great Example she has set. No one has dared to charge her with wrong doing.

They tell us we have prospered, are fairly prosperous now. This is true and we are very proud of it! Those that remain of our decimated people have prospered. Why have they prospered? By the blessing of Heaven on their honest thrift and industry! Certainly not because of what Ottawa has done for us. We have lost one-third of our people, and one-third of our representation in the Commons, in twenty years. Where would Ontario be today if she had lost proportionately of her people and of her representation in Parliament, and had not grabbed the Northland? Had this occurred, Ontario would now have but 55 members in the Commons instead of the 82 she has.

And if one-half of Ontario's vast railway system were now degraded to the level of our narrow gauge, how would the people there relish their humiliation? Would there not be "rumblings" along the shores of the Great Lakes that would out roar the stormy Atlantic? George Brown in the Toronto Globe of his time boldly proclaimed "the Sacred Right of Rebellion" with less cause for complaint than the Maritimes have now.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

A NEW THYROID TREATMENT

Now that the enlarged thyroid gland in the neck has become such an object of interest to physicians and laymen, anything and everything pertaining to it is eagerly read.

That the majority of these enlarged glands apparently do not harm, aside from the patient's natural dislike of the appearance of same, is now generally admitted. However, where the severe nervous and heart symptoms, and also the pressure symptoms are present, the possibility of cure of these is of course, vital.

That many are cured by prolonged rests, mental and physical, and the rest, diet, change of scene and food have been tried without results, surgery has reached the point where the failures are simply the exception, whereas a few years ago surgeons hesitated to operate on the thyroid gland at all.

However, there are those who dislike the idea of an operation, and there now may be a good chance for them by the use of electricity, according to the Paris Medical Journal.

Two French physicians are making a combination treatment consisting of the X ray with galvanic anodic currents. The electric current is used with the negative disc on the thyroid and the positive at back of neck, for a period of twenty minutes. A treatment given daily for three days, then a short interval, and again for three days in succession.

The treatment was tried out in fifteen cases, eleven of which showed definite improvement, and four remained unchanged. These physicians tell us that the improvement in the general condition of these patients was most marked, although the goitre itself did not show so much change.

This improvement in the general condition means the slowing down of the heart, and relief from the extreme nervousness that characterizes these cases. The way this improvement is measured is by the new machine that measures the daily work of the body. A person with the severe type of goitre when lying quite still with no food in stomach or intestine, often does from a quarter to half as much more work with his body than does the normal person.

After treatment with electricity the amount of work done by these eleven cases was reduced to almost normal. It is comforting to know that simple cases are practically handled all by the new machinery, and that for those who dislike the idea of an operation, or whose condition is not quite good enough to withstand an operation, that these French physicians may have found something that will give relief.

May 24, 1926  
CONDITIONAL PROMISES—If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish my covenant with you. Lev. 26:3, 9.

PRAYER—"What He says we will do; Where he sends we will go."  
May 25, 1926  
THE LORD'S PORTION—"And all the title of the land, \* \* \* is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord." Lev. 27:30.

PRAYER—"As stewards of Thine O Master, make us faithful."  
GROWING OLD (For "Westmount.")  
A little more tired at close of day;  
A little less anxious to have our way;  
A little less ready to scold and blame;  
A little more care for a brother's name;  
And so we are nearing the journey's end,  
Where time and eternity meet and blend.  
A little less care for bonds and gold;  
A little more zest in the days of old;  
A broader view and a saner mind,  
And a little more love for all mankind;  
A little more careful of what we say;  
And so we are faring a-down the way.  
A little more love for the friends of youth;  
A little less zeal for established truth;  
A little more charity in our views,  
A little less thirst for the daily news;  
And so, we are folding our tents away  
And passing in silence at close of day.

Prominent Islander Pays Tribute to Island Educator

Historicus.

The distinguished islander above referred to was no less a personage than Prof. J. C. Schurman, of Cornell University, New York, now holding the exalted office of U. S. Ambassador, at Berlin, Germany, and the eminent island educator then referred to was the eminent Educator, Professor Anderson, of the Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown. The extract quoted appeared at that date in The Examiner, and doubtless was copied by other island newspapers. And, as we believe it has lost none of its value, with the flight of time and the advancement of education, we now copy it for the perusal of the readers of The Guardian with the Prince of Wales interest in education among the students and people generally of our Progressive Island. Prof. Schurman then, wrote to a friend as follows:—"I regret much that I have not been able to make my proposed visit to the island. It would have been a source of the purest pleasure to meet old friends whose faces I have not seen for many years. I have said to my countrymen, perhaps, in a public way on a matter I have much at heart, and might have been allowed to talk about without incurring the charge of presumption. I mean the subject of education. I have always, as an islander, been proud of the educational system of my native province, and have watched with the greatest satisfaction its admirable and valuable and beneficent effects. In my opinion no other province

Daily Lessons In English

By W. L. Gordon

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "I live a long way from here." Say "a long way." OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: semi (prefix). Pronounce the "s" as "it," not as in "ice." OFTEN MISPELLED: ascent (an upward movement). SYNONYMS: obstinate, stubborn, contrary, willful, inflexible, perverse, factious, petulant.

WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: PROTRACT; to extend in time. "It was a protracted siege of cold weather."

Your Birth-day

MAY 24.—You have a personal magnetism and force of character that enables you to assume a leadership role. You are capable of concentrated effort, and work with enthusiasm and vigor. You are trustworthy, and love with the same concentration you apply to your work. Be careful in speech, and never be ashamed to own up if you have done wrong.

Your birth-stone is an emerald, which means success in love. Your flower is a lily. Your lucky colors are red and yellow.

MAY 25.—You always put your best efforts into any undertaking, but sometimes your ideas are not practical. You need to keep your love and emotions under strong control. You love deeply and require affection in return. Be careful in your friendships, and never give way to jealousy. Your birth-stone is an emerald, which means success in love. Your flower is a lily. Your lucky colors are red and yellow.

A little more leisure to sit and dream,  
A little more real the things unseen;  
A little bit nearer to those ahead,  
With visions of those long-loved and dead;  
And so we are going where all must go,  
To the place the living may never know.

A little more laughter, a little more tears,  
And we shall have told our increasing years;  
The book is closed and the prayers are said,  
And we are a part of the countless dead.  
Thrice happy, then, if some soul can say,  
"I live because he has passed my way."  
—By Rollin J. Wells.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, BRIGHT'S DISEASE, DIABETES, BACKACHE, GRAVEL, NEURALGIA, MIGRAINE, OBESITY, THE PAIN.

That Body of Hours

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has an educational record at all comparable with that of the Island. Whether you consider the general diffusion of knowledge among the masses of the people or the special excellence of the few who devote themselves to advanced scholarship—the Rosses, McLeods, Lairds, etc., who have brought renown to their native land—you will scarcely find anywhere such wonderful results and successful achievements as in the history of education on Prince Edward Island. This is a matter of universal recognition among all competent to pronounce an opinion. What is not perhaps so generally known, though it is equally certain, is that this splendid work has been brought about entirely by a single man. Twenty years ago island children were poorly taught, and island teachers with but few exceptions were wretchedly incompetent to teach. The amalgamation of the Normal School with the Prince of Wales College insured new results, for it brought every teacher henceforth under the instruction of Principal Anderson. If you have today a good school system, good machinery, good teaching, good scholars, it is all due, directly or indirectly, to his genius for education. Most of the work has been done by himself, the rest has been done by men whom he turned out, and who are now, "Now, be not deceived in this matter. I am as confident of what I am saying as of my own existence. Professor Anderson is incomparably the greatest benefactor of the island race had within the period of my recollection. I have sat under many instructors, speaking in different languages—German, English, French, Italian—but I have never yet met with such a great teacher as Professor Anderson, and calmly reflecting on the matter, I think there is none to whom—all considered—I personally owe so much as to him.

"Imagine then, the pain, the mortification, the shame with which I heard that the reward given to this successful teacher and organizer for a quarter of a century of such universally beneficent work was that he should be mulcted of one-fourth or one-fifth of his already barely tolerable salary. You can afford, perhaps, to cut down the salaries of your legislators and officials, but to baffle over the pay of a very prince of educationists, that is what you cannot afford, for it means in the long run the loss of educational opportunities to the

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