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KEEP OFF THE GRASS

'Cutting corners' appears to be a characteristic of certain people, and through the persistent exercise of this characteristic most of our street corners are disfigured, the only exceptions being those which are protected by barriers set up by the owners of the adjacent property.

miners. To prevent such a catastrophe as this would mean, the Armstrong government decided that the miners must not mix in with other electors. How was this to be prevented? Gerrymander of course.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tomorrow Palm Sunday. In addition to the remuneration paid Mr. W. T. R. Preston mentioned the other day, he drew the tidy sum of \$7,249.24 as expenses.

MARITIME RIGHTS

While the provinces by the sea are praying for Maritime Rights and the redress of Maritime wrongs, the province of Nova Scotia is frantically preparing for the general provincial election which, evidently, is tantamount to preparation for the wrath to come.

Latterly, for many years in fact but during the past year or two the "murmurings in the Maritimes" have become distinctly and raucously audible, so much so that extraordinary efforts are being put forth to keep the banner from being pulled or stoned down.

The principal "murmurings" are heard in the coal mine regions of Cape Breton. Here, through somebody's mismanagement, there is distress, hunger, starvation. The coal miners are idle; those who have heretofore lived by the wages earned in the mines are starving—or being half fed by the charity of the neighboring provinces and the more fortunate sections of the province.

An inquiry into the Potato combine in New Brunswick is being carried on, and the services of Mr. P. J. Hughes, K. C., Fredericton, retained to act as counsel for the Federal government at the rate of \$50 per day. The inquiry is estimated to cost \$6,000. At 20c per bushel this is equal to 30,000 bushels of potatoes.

The merits of the case in dispute should not be discussed when considering relief for the strike sufferers in the Sydneys. Nor should the responsibility or otherwise of either Provincial or Dominion government be discussed. These may be matters of opinion. The matters of fact are the suffering innocent women and children.

Nothing is to be gained by pursuing a policy of pettifoggery, carping criticism in matters of public policy and administration. Premier Stewart takes the ground that the public has a right to know everything material to its interests and tells it everything without reservation, mental or otherwise, and it is this that commends him so strongly to the average elector.

A telegram from London announces that the Rt. Hon. Ramsay MacDonald, the Labor ex premier, has moved to a bigger house—Upper Frogmal Lodge, it is called—which looks like an Italian Villa, with spacious grounds. Ramsay had to pay about \$40,000 for the lease and it is being most handsomely decorated. His Labor friends are smiling. His excuse is that at present he has nowhere to keep his books, and as he has a bigger library than most other politicians, this seems a good excuse. Anyhow he has turned the new drawing-room into a library. Ishbel, his eldest daughter, who was "Mrs. Premier" at Downing street, during the Labor government regime, is devoting herself to socialist movements, though very occasionally she is to be seen in the smart restaurants and ballrooms any considerable number of rooms.

Notes By The Way

When Premier King last year bombarded the Senate and pledged himself, his colleagues and the Liberal party to curtail the powers of the Red Chamber the wise editors of the excellent Liberal journals expressed their warm approval. Surely now a statesman was at the head of affairs, a real leader who had the courage of his convictions, they intimated. They expected something to happen right away at the present session. But nothing at all happened. The supposed high explosive shell which the Premier had hurled turned out to be a "dud".

Since then the Mighty Man at the Head of Affairs at Ottawa has heard from Quebec. It was under date of March 27 and this was the message:

"Without a dissenting voice, the Members of the Quebec Legislative Assembly today voted against the idea of any infringement on the British North America Act through changing the character or integrity of the Canadian Senate."

Hands off the Senate! is the mandate of Quebec, Liberal and Tory alike. Without a dissenting vote. And it will be obeyed! Why?

At the last federal election Quebec elected a solid quota of 65 Liberal members. Only 115 Liberals were elected in the entire Dominion—only 50 outside of Quebec.

That is a sufficient reason why Quebec's mandate will now be obeyed. But there is another reason also. Quebec made Mackenzie King leader of the Liberal party to succeed Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Quebec made him what he is, gave him Laurier's seat, and all Quebec knows, and well Mr Mackenzie King knows, that it can break at will the hollow idol it set up in the seats of the mighty.

It is more than a mandate that the Quebec Legislative Assembly has issued. It is a rebuke and a warning as were never before flung in the face of a Canadian political leader by so large and so representative a body of his former supporters and followers. Let who will search the political annals of the Dominion since it was established and no parallel for it can be found.

Premier King is not only rebuked he is humiliated. Between the lines of the Quebec message is the implied suggestion that he shall eat his own words and abandon his attack on the Senate. Will he do it? We believe he will. It seems to be a case of being further humiliated if he submits and being politically damned if he refuses. He will swallow the bitter pill which the Quebec Legislature has handed him, for without its support he is powerless as a baby. He sought to humiliate the Senate and before he had struck a blow he has made himself a fitting subject of its contempt and derision. Willing to wound he is forbidden to strike.

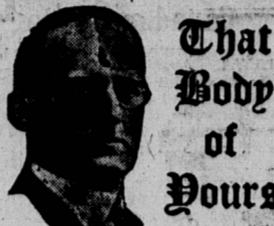
Incidentally, the Quebec Legislature has also given its warning against "any infringement of the British North America Act." That Great Charter of Provincial rights and liberties commands that when a vacancy occurs in the Senate by death or otherwise it shall be promptly filled by a new appointment. That article of the Constitution the King Government has violated from day to day during months past.

As has before been pointed out in these columns, Prince Edward Island has been deprived of one half its rightful representation in the Senate during the present session of Parliament in open violation of the Constitution by the King Government. In only less degree the entire Maritime section of the Dominion has been and is being defrauded of its sacred right of representation by a lawless Administration. The Constitution is flouted and set at naught as if it did not exist by a ministry to whom no compact is binding.

Our own Province and the Maritimes owe a debt of gratitude to the Legislature of Quebec for its reminder that the British North America Act still exists and is still valid and that "the character and integrity of the Senate" guaranteed by its provisions, may not be trampled upon with impunity.

Character Reading

Very long pointed noses belong to the "Nosey Parkers" of this world. They are far more interested in the latest scandal than anything else. When you meet any



By James W. Barton, M.D. GAS FORMATION

A European physician has been investigating that distressing condition, gas formation in the intestine. His observation was that it was found only among "white collar men."

We can hardly admit that this is altogether true in this country, because a great many of our women folk are likewise affected. However his other observations, that too much food and lack of exercise are causative factors will find an agreement.

There can be no question but that men and women, working with their brains, sitting at desks most of the day are going to have trouble with gas.

The hurried meals of strange mixtures or combinations of food, are bound to have their revenge upon the system.

The trouble is often due to nervousness or hurry, which naturally interferes with the nerves that control the muscles of the intestine, so that these muscles only do their work in a half hearted manner.

This means that the waste from the food which is in the large intestine doesn't get moved along fast enough and begins to ferment. This fermentation forms gas, and thus the pressure becomes annoying and often painful.

As the muscles of the wall do not have much better success in moving the gas along, than with the food, a constant state of distress is the portion of many of these patients.

Of course there is no question but the importance of this condition is so magnified by some, that the very worry from it actually intensifies the condition. And also it must be admitted that in severe abdominal conditions that this gas formation is an unfavorable sign.

However in the ordinary everyday cases, where there is no actual obstruction in the intestine, there are two or three things that can be of help.

First, the patient should try to get his mind away from the condition which is not in itself serious, and endeavor to locate the cause. It may be hurry, worry, or some slight infection somewhere. He should eat slowly of a well mixed diet with slight rest before and after meals.

If certain foods seem to be the cause, omit them from the diet. The old fashioned baking soda is still a standby, when gas is up high in abdomen, and the soap and water injection when the gas is lower down.

PRAYER:—Fill our hearts, O Lord, with thy love wherewith Thou hast loved us, and then we can not be dishonest with ourselves and with others.

THE LORD AT THE LOOM Children of yesterday, Heirs of to-morrow, What are you weaving— Labor or sorrow? Look to your looms again, Faster and faster Fly the great shuttles Prepared by the Master; Life's in the loom, Room for Him—room!

Children of yesterday, Heirs of to-morrow, Lighten the labor And sweeten the sorrow, Now—while the shuttles fly Faster and faster, Up and be at it— At work with the Master; He stands at your loom, Room for Him—room!

Children of yesterday, Heirs of to-morrow, Look at your fabric Of labor and sorrow, Seamy and dark With despair and disaster, Turn it—and lo, The design of the Master! The Lord's at the loom, Room for Him—room!

one of this type be careful not to let them "pump" you. A hooked nose denotes shrewdness, particularly in business matters. Its possessors are big schemers and are fond of home life.

Happenings of the Week

I'm waiting for the weather man To pack his Winter clothes, His cold gray skies, his bleak sunrise, And winds that bite your nose.

I'm listening for the catbird's note, Back from her southern spree Search for grass that's turning green And buds on bush and tree.

I'm watching for the crocuses To break the Winter ground, The tulips and the violets blue Am I the "Nature Hound"?

Is it because I love the Spring That sets young hearts aflame? Oh, no—to me it means one thing, When is my first-golf game.

It will be of interest to many citizens to see that a son of Mrs. H. Ross Hooper of England, formerly Miss Bell Newbery of this city; is one of the first lieutenants on board H. M. S. Repulse on tour with the Prince of Wales to South Africa and South America.

The fitting of the battle cruiser Repulse for the Prince of Wales' trip to South Africa and South America was a difficult problem. In addition to the usual complement of 1,250 men, room had to be found for the Prince's staff and servants, numbering more than 90 and the fact that so many occasions climbing and conditions must be provided for necessitated space for an immense amount of baggage, totaling about 200 trunks, 200 chests and other cases. One difficulty was, the paper says, that the Repulse is not equipped with a laundry, and that, therefore, a great stock of laundered things must be taken as none can be freshened until Cape Town is reached. Some of the preparations had to do with entertainments at which the Prince will be host aboard ship upon his arrival at various ports. Twenty-one cooks, stewards and waiters will accompany the party, and sufficient tableware were taken to serve 900 guests.

The social function of the week was the dinner Thursday evening given by His Honor Governor Hearst at his beautiful home, Edge-water, when he entertained the Legislative Members and other friends most enjoyably.

Very many happy returns to Mr. J. E. B. McCready who today celebrates his 86th birthday.

Quite a number of Charlottetown folks are preparing to spend the Easter holidays among the gaities of New York and Boston.

Fishing in the different steams of this fair Isle has already started and some wonderful "fish stories" are being told.

Mr. D. A. McKinnon, M. P. and Miss Beatrice McKinnon purpose spending the Easter holidays in New York.

The closing concert at the Canadian Club on Thursday evening was greatly appreciated by a very large audience, the program being bright and interesting right through.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Beer of Kitchener, Ont., arrived Tuesday on a visit to Mr. Beer's parents, Mr and Mrs. E. H. Beer and are being cordially welcomed by numerous friends.

Miss Margaret Lea and her friend, Miss Phyllis Winchester, students of Mount Allison Ladies' College, Sackville, spent the weekend at the former's home in Moncton.

Of all his accoutrements, the prince is taking on his tour, that which will be guarded with the greatest care, will be the prince's prized banjo. The Prince of Wales loves this instrument and he has been assiduously learning to play it under tutelage of a London expert. One can visualize the scene in the heart of the tropics when the prince retires to his scarlet decked tent, removes his banjo from its case and gently strums to the accompaniment of throbbing native drums.

A pleasant time was spent at the home of Rev. W. A. Thompson on Friday evening when a number of his friends surprised him on the occasion of his birthday. After an hour of social intercourse Mr. Paton on behalf of those present made a presentation speaking warm words of appreciation and regard, several of the gentlemen following in the same strain. Though completely taken by surprise Mr. Thompson voiced his thanks in

The Public Forum

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RURAL TELEPHONE LINES

Sir,—Now that the House is lifting the matter of our Rural telephone system should be brought up and discussed by our representatives, and something done to conserve, encourage and assist these lines which, all admit, are generally in bad shape, and not at all comparable in efficiency to the Company's lines. It is nothing unusual in driving through the country from one end of the island to the other, to notice posts down-wires on the ground and general disorder. Usually there is a local committee appointed to look after these rural lines and keep in repair, but this committee, working usually free gratis without pay, do not always function, and the line is allowed to go into disrepair. When the matters of repair and keep-up is left to all the people, "what's everybody's business is nobody's business."

That the telephone is a great boon to rural or country people (as to all there is no question) we think it was a mistake to have made these rural lines two-wire or metallic, it would have been better to have all these rural and generally neglected lines be single wire or grounded lines. Then should posts break or fall down, insulators drop off, etc., the two wires, as now would not get in mix up contact and short circuit. When there are no electric lights power or trolley wires in the vicinity (as there generally is not) the grounded or one wire system gives just as good results, though there is some additional expense for the extra apparatus required in the cord circuits to connect the two lines. The single wire would have the advantage in the country of easy keep-up. In the other provinces of Canada millions have been spent on rural telephone lines. Manitoba alone has spent \$50,000,000 (fifty million) on its telephone system. Surely our Island Government could afford to spend one-thousandth part of Manitoba's expenditure. A small annual grant to the rural telephone lines here on the island to assist in purchasing repair needs, as wire, insulators would be a good thing. Otherwise there should be a rigid inspection of the rural lines by a competent man appointed by the local government, to see that these lines are kept up to the standard, and with power to close down and put them out of business, if they are allowed to go into disorder and neglect—a menace to the whole telephone system. The rural lines are a great benefit, and also a great saving to subscribers in not having to pay annual rentals, and should be encouraged.

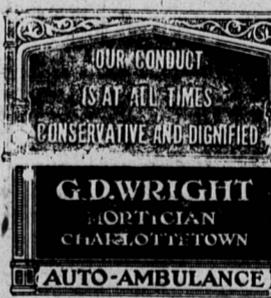
I am, Sir, etc.

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well chosen words. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Thompson assisted by Miss Thompson, Mrs. Hatcheson and Mrs. Fletcher, then all joined in the singing of old favorites. Prof. Fletcher presided at the piano. By special request Mr. Fletcher rendered very effectively the solo Ninety-and-Nine. More kind words were spoken and good nights said.

The benefit concert in the Y. M. C. A. on Thursday was another popular attraction and while affording much enjoyment to those attended helped very materially the fund for which it was given.

Mr. Lawson and children of Edmonton arrived last night on a



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Visit to Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hughes, new Roy, Charles Harris. Mr. Lawson will follow later and Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, form- they will then take up their per-erly of London, England now of manent residence here. Toronto, has been in Bermuda for the winter and is occupying the house formerly owned by the late President Woodrow Wilson the name of the cottage being "Glendon" situated at Paget, where many Canadians are enjoying the southern winter. Mrs. Robert Harris is at present visiting in Victoria and Vancouver, where she is the guest of her ne-

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