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AN APPEAL

We direct special attention to the letter in the Public Forum, this issue, of the Chairman of Trustees of the Protestant Orphanage, Col. D. A. MacKinnon. The Colonel refers with pardonable pride in the generosity of our people, to the assistance kindly given to the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children, assistance worthily given to a worthy cause and gratefully accepted by the solicitors for that institution who recently visited our province. In doing so and in no way making comparison of the relative claims of the two institutions, he makes a strong appeal for our own Protestant Orphanage. The latter is supported almost entirely by the free will contributions of our own people, the grants from the Provincial Government and the City of Charlottetown amounting only to \$650, a mere fraction of the cost of maintenance.

The liberality of our people towards worthy causes at home and abroad is proverbial and the fact that there is at present a shortage in the maintenance fund of the Orphanage is due, as Colonel MacKinnon points out, not to lack of liberality but to unfavorable winter conditions which greatly hampered the efforts of those who ordinarily solicit assistance. We feel sure that now, with the needs of the Protestant Orphanage made known there shall be an immediate response to this appeal. The little waifs thrown upon the charity of the Christian world we cannot afford to neglect. They are being trained to useful manhood and womanhood, trained to become assets to the province instead of liabilities as all neglected children would inevitably become. They are the wards of their more fortunate neighbors and we know that the Christian charity which founded this refuge for the unfortunate will not fail now that its immediate needs are known.

We trust that there shall be a quick response to this appeal on behalf of the Trustees of the Orphanage.

To be obliged to borrow to maintain this public charity is only to add to the expense of maintenance. "He gives twice who gives first" and those who hand in their contribution without waiting to be called upon personally will not only be doing a Christian act of duty but helping to cut down additional interest cost. Do it now.

NOT UNFRIENDLY

It is unfair to stigmatize as unfriendly or unneighborly the action of the United States when they raise the tariff against us. They are doing what we should do, mind, looking their own business, looking after their own interests. The fact that we let them into our markets on very generous terms, to the injury of our own people is no reason why they should do the same to theirs. The other day, as already reported in our news columns President Coolidge issued a proclamation, as their Flexible Tariff empowers him to do, raising the duty on butter fifty per cent. Why did he do it? Because the farmers asked him to as they had a perfect right to do in their own interests. They found that foreign butter was coming in and taking the place in the market that their own butter had the first right to. They found that, notwithstanding duty of eight cents a pound Canadian butter to the value of \$1,181,898 had been imported into their country during the year ending March 31, 1925. They found also that because the Conservative party in Canada failed to secure the government in October last that there was no danger of the Canadian tariff being

raised against them. So they decided that they would shut out that \$1,181,898 worth of butter and that it would henceforth be sold in their own market by their own farmers. To enable them to do it they raised the duty on butter to a point over which Canadian butter could not enter and they were right. It was a thoroughly business-like transaction.

Why do we let American butter into our market over a low tariff wall of four cents a pound? Simply because the Western farmers had not begun to manufacture butter on a sufficiently large scale to supply their own needs. They wanted cheap American butter and the King government, after the Fordney tariff of eight cents on butter was put on, wanted Western support and they yielded to the Western demand.

Now that the Western provinces are taking up the dairying business no doubt there will shortly be a change in the tune of the Western farmers. They, too, will shortly find that they must protect themselves against American imports. Already some modification is evident in the Western demand for an all round reduction in the tariff. Saskatchewan and Alberta are becoming strong competitors in dairying with the rest of Canada and these provinces are not the unassuming unit they were a few years ago in demanding reduced duties.

Had the Conservative government, with its policy of raising the Canadian duty to the level of the American come into power in October last it is quite probable that the American duty on butter would not have been given its latest 50 per cent boost. The Americans are quite within their rights in importing our raw lumber, our pulpwood and our other raw materials free of duty. That is how they make their money and how they give employment and good wages to their own people and ours. We have an equal right to prevent the export of our raw material and give employment to our own people but the King government wants Western support and the Western support won't let them. This is why Canada with its almost unlimited resources is not making the progress it should make, and our party blind people fail to see it.

EDITORIAL NOTES

We are at last getting down to a concrete basis on our sidewalks.

The Customs officials at Ottawa are now so busy stopping smuggling that it is scarcely safe for a bootlegger to carry anything in his grip. It was safe enough till the probe began.

Next thing we know men clothed in white and carrying a step ladder and a bucket of whitewash will be seen rushing to and fro on the streets. Then will come the first robin and we shall recognize that Spring is here.

Mr. A. E. MacLean the Liberal member for Prince County, this province, in a recent speech in the House of Commons referring to Premier King's back door entrance to the House of Commons delivered himself of this chunk of wisdom: "I believe it might have been more to the advantage of the Liberal party if he (Premier King) and his Ministers had been elected to parliament and had their seats in this House when parliament met." Well, no doubt, the Prime Minister and his defeated Ministers thought so too, but the people thought otherwise and they left them out. Mr. McLean is honest enough to doubt that Premier King adopted the course that would be most beneficial to the party.

Notes by the Way

New Brunswick has decided to enter upon a vast scheme of Hydro-Electric development. It is foreshadowed in the speech with which Lieutenant Governor Todd opened the Legislature at Fredericton on Wednesday last. It will be remembered that the Veniot Government had by agreement committed the Province to develop the water power at Grand Falls as a public utility under Government ownership and made that the main issue in the general election of a few months ago in which the Government was defeated. Only 11 Liberal members were returned to the new Legislature which contains 48 members.

The new Conservative Government led by Premier Baxter at once suspended the operation of the project which the preceding Government had framed and have since abrogated it and made an agreement with a syndicate to develop and operate the waterpowers at Grand Falls and elsewhere in the province as a private enterprise. In the company to be formed the International Pulp and Paper Company and the great lumber company known as Frasers Limited will be principals and between them a vast capital and an immense area of lumber lands will be at once available.

Premier Baxter in a brief interview outlined the salient features of the undertaking. "Concerning this enterprise," he said, "it is the business of this Government to get industry started in this Province and in helping to launch a development which probably will run into an expenditure of \$25,000,000, and possibly \$40,000,000, besides securing constant employment for several thousands of men. I think we are getting away to a good start. The time has gone by in New Brunswick for useless fighting over party labels and intangible political differences. What we want is business, big business and quick business."

New Brunswick has had from the beginning an important lumbering industry, most of the products were exported in a raw, or at best a partially manufactured state of comparatively low value. The "big business" that developed electric power will give is to turn the raw wood into pulp and paper, thus giving it the highest value of which it is capable and keep that value at home, incidentally also giving employment to thousands of busy workers. While the principal development will be at Grand Falls, it is also intended to develop the fine water-power of the Nepisiguit river in Northern New Brunswick at a cost of \$5,000,000.

While public opinion in different provinces has been divided between public and private ownership, and while public control of water powers has had strong advocates and has proved successful in Ontario it must be admitted that New Brunswick, with a provincial debt of \$37,000,000 is hardly in a financial position to borrow and spend as many more millions on the development of power at Grand Falls. That enterprise can, and we doubt not it will be more quickly and effectually be completed by private capital and without risk of loss to the Government.

The plan proposed by the Baxter Government of reverting to private ownership seems to be very heartily and enthusiastically endorsed by the Conservative members of the N. B. Legislature who are on the spot and are cognisant of the financial position of the Province and the need of immediate development of electric power, as well as of manufacturing industry on a large scale. We leave it at that with the hope that it may prove abundantly successful.

Telephone service is now fifty years old. It was on March 10, 1876 that the first brief message and reply in human speech passed over the wires between Alexander Graham Bell and his assistant. To day there is telephone service in every inhabited land beneath the sun both wired and wireless, over vast distances, and we are in near prospect of the date when the persons speaking together will be made visible to each other as they talk, however widely separated they may be. The progress of telephone development is one of the marvels of the wonderful age in which we live.

Patching up the shattered King

That Body of Hours

By James W. Burton, M.D.

MIDDLE AGE One of our research men has worked out some diet rules to combat high blood pressure.

The advice is all very sensible and practical, but the first thing that must occur to every thinking person is, that the rules suggested would just about suit every man and woman of fifty or over, even if he or she were perfectly healthy, and had normal blood pressure for their age.

For instance he suggests that the food intake must be cut down in quantity. If this should cause constipation, then fruits, green vegetables, even a little bran might be used daily. Meat, fish, or fowl, should be eaten but once a day. Only one egg to be eaten daily. All highly spiced foods to be avoided. Sweets to be used but only in moderation.

The diet should be composed largely of green vegetables, potatoes, cereals, fruits, rice, whole wheat bread, with "limited" dairy. Salt should be used sparingly, and tea and coffee not more than a cupful at each meal at the most.

Now the above rules are known and must appeal to everybody, but the two things that mean real abundant health to people, are the very two things which they will not use their own common sense. That is food and exercise.

Because it can be obtained the average man thinks of food as something to be enjoyed, and a good appetite as a blessing sent from Heaven. The appetite is not a safe guide any more, because food is so attractive in taste and appearance that the brain part of the appetite tempts one to eat too much. The body is covered thickly with muscle, and it is the working or using of that muscle by work or exercise, and that only, that entitles you to eat large meals.

You must eat because food is needed to maintain all the organs and functions of the body, but the amount needed by a man or woman of middle age, whose work is office or household duties, is just about half as much as one working hard out doors, and using all the muscles of the body.

And exercise? To many folks that simply means work in disguise and they'll have none of it. And yet this very work would make life safer, should they be blessed, or should we say cursed, with a good appetite.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

March 15, 1926

THE SAVING BLOOD—"In the tenth day of this month they shall take \* \* \* every man a lamb. And they shall take of the blood and put it on the two side-posts and on the lintel. \* \* \* And the blood shall be to you for a token—and when I see the blood I will pass over you." Ex. 12: 3-7-13.

PRAYER—"O Lord, there is power, power, won't-working power, in the precious blood of the Lamb."

THOSE FIRST LONG TROUSERS We went together to the store. Together we must share the blow. Though she alone had gone before. We went together to the store— And watched him proudly try them on. And then our little boy was gone. Our little knickerbockered lad. Came out a youth, in trousers clad! The smiling clerk said "Fine!" but oh, Our stab of pain he couldn't know. Perhaps he truly thought it strange. That mother didn't like the change. And felt that something in her died. The minute that he stepped inside. That little dressing room alone. But well I understood that moan.

She knew that never more he'd be The little boy upon her knee. The laughing, loving, roughish child. Whose kisses on her cheeks were piled. She knew what change was taking place. 'Twas that narrow dressing space. Her child went in beyond a doubt, But soon a man was coming out.

The clerk said: "Fine!" but well I knew The mother held a different view. The little lad she'd loved was gone. There stood a youth with trousers on; A youth with shoulders broad and square. A youth who had a jaunty air. And when we left that clothing store We had a little boy no more.

EDGAR GUEST. Government is now the order of the day. It is a slow, uncertain and laborious process. A Liberal member resigns his seat and passes out of the House into the outer darkness. That is to make room inside. Later, if he can make good in the running, a Liberal Minister steals in by a back door or a side door. Two or three seats are now empty and the latch string is out day and night to permit the entrance of the new comers. No Conservative or Progressive members have yet resigned. They don't have to.

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

APPEAL FOR PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE

Sir.—Mr. Kinney and other gentlemen representing the Home for Colored Children in Nova Scotia have left us with the kindest impression of our people. The amount collected by them was considered very satisfactory for the short time they spent here. I am sure everyone was pleased to help along such a worthy object.

In connection with orphanages there is something that I would like to point out to our people, which I believe is not generally understood, and that is, that Orphanages in other Provinces receive grants from the Governments and municipalities for their upkeep. In Nova Scotia, the Orphanages including the Home for Colored Children receive a grant of two dollars per child per week from the local Government, and three dollars per child per week from the municipality that commits the child, making a total of \$200 per year per child. On this basis the Prince Edward Island Protestant Orphanage would receive over \$10,000, and this amount would make it self-supporting. In this Province the Government gives \$500 and the City of Charlottetown \$150 annually towards the upkeep of our Orphanages, and the remainder comes absolutely from the free-will offerings of our people.

The Prince Edward Island Protestant Orphanage is, and has been I am sure, a very capable managed institution, and I am confident that nowhere today in any Orphanage, will be found healthier, better cared for, or better instructed orphanage children. It is an institution that our people can take the greatest pride in, and if you have not visited it, by all means do so and see for yourself how splendidly it is managed.

Owing to the severe winter weather the amount received for maintenance has fallen off considerably, our workers not being in a position to show the same activity as in other years. Now that the better weather is arriving, I would like to ask on behalf of the trustees, the whole-hearted co-operation of the Protestant people of Prince Edward Island in the raising of maintenance money. We are at present forced to borrow to meet our monthly requirements, and while the amount is not large as yet, it will grow very quickly if we do not get any more help. We have carefully gone over our expenditures and can conscientiously state that they are economical without being parsimonious. Our children are well fed, well clothed, and have the advantage of very superior instruction, mentally and morally.

Hoping that our friends will rally to us and assist us in every way, I am Sir, etc.

D. A. MacKINNON, Lieut-Col. Chairman of Prince Edward Island Protestant Orphanage Trustees.

IS THE CHAMPION FIDDLER IN KING'S?

Sir.—We note with satisfaction that a great deal of interest is being taken in the "Old Time Fiddlers Contest" all over the Island and especially so in King's County. The writer has heard a large number of people old and young express a desire to be present at the contest, to enjoy the feast of the old time hitting melodies that appeal so strongly to our Celtic blood, when rendered on an old time fiddle by an old time artist.

The good old fashioned step dancing is to many others also a very extreme attraction, and when executed by any of our old timers is certainly the essence of music. We feel we cannot too strongly urge, that the keenest interest should be taken in the Contest. It will revive enthusiasm in an art that will certainly die with this generation that is passing if some contest of revival such as this Contest is not occasionally projected. In this present age of "Jazz" so called music which we heard an old gentleman aptly compare to "nigger dancing in a tin pan," our children are rapidly losing their taste for the thrilling reels, strathspeys and jigs of the fiddlers who performed so soul-satisfyingly for our fathers.

We think that the Tourist Association and all other influential bodies should wait on Supt. Grady and endeavor to make arrangements for special trains to be operated in order to enable people to get on the same night. We from King's County feel especially free to have good reason to believe that the champion fiddler dwell in King's County, and that a crowded train will result. In this connection, we will be quite willing to assist in forming committees in St. Peters and Souris to arrange for deposits from passengers, in a quantity sufficient to guarantee the excursion as a paying proposition for the Railway.

Let us get together and show our neighbors to the South that we breed Musicians as well as workers. We have always found Supt. Grady most enterprising where the interests of the railroad patrons are concerned, and we feel sure that if the matter is presented properly he will co-operate heartily. I am Sir, etc.

C. CHESTER PRATT

Your Birthday

MARCH 15—By nature (if circumstances have not "damped you down") you are probably vivacious, full of fun and good spirits. An active disposition, restless some-

Mr. W. C. S. McLure, M. L. A.



MR. W. C. S. MCLURE SPEAKS ON THE DRAFT ADDRESS

He Demonstrates the Present Importance and Possibilities of the Fur Industry; Advocates Further Assistance to Agriculture; Commends Adequate Remuneration of Labor and Praises Good Road Work of the Stewart Government.

Mr. W. Chester S. McLure in addressing the Legislature on the Draft Address spoke as follows:

It is not my intention Mr. Speaker to prolong this debate and will, therefore, be brief in my remarks. First of all I wish to most heartily congratulate the mover of the meeting at this session of the House, when we renew friendships from Summerside district, on his able speech for the first time in this House. The name "Pope" stands for good government, and I can quite agree with the electors of Summerside that they made an excellent choice in electing Mr. Pope to support the Stewart Government. I wish also to congratulate the seconder, Mr. Bentley, another representative from Prince County. His speech was full of excellent matter. He did honor to his late Father, who was at one time the honored leader of the Conservative Party. While on this theme, Mr. Speaker, one cannot forget that congratulations are in order to the Hon. Mr. McPhee, of the Cardigan District—a young man of excellent promise, both as a lawyer and a politician—a young man who has been tried in the fire of warfare, and in the World's Great War did his duty for this country, and upheld the honor of this Province; and he can be relied upon in public life to give an excellent account of himself, as well as the Department over which he has the honor to preside—the Public Works Office. Neither would I forget that the honorable member from Murray Harbor, Mr. McLeod, on January 14th last, ably demonstrated that the electors of that district appreciated him as a man, merchant, and a politician. The honorable leader of the Opposition, while congratulating Mr. McLeod, showed that he appreciated the type of men that were elected in the recent by-elections, when he made flitting suggestions to the honorable member from Murray Harbor, that he would like to see him take one step over to the Opposition. Mr. Speaker, I can assure the hon. leader of the Opposition that no man wants to take that fatal step—be it only one. The honorable leader of the Opposition was extremely anxious for the welfare of the honorable member from Murray Harbor, and was glad he was so near to "good company." If my memory serves me aright, at the beginning of the first session of this Government, the hon. leader of the Opposition moved his seat, so that he would be nearer to "good company" and good government. The election of these three gentlemen referred to, times to be "on the move." Not attentive enough to details, probably you have dramatic ability, late or developed, and possibly skill at some sort of art-work. You will thoroughly enjoy spending money freely. Cultivate contentment. Beware of listening to gossip. Your birthstone is a bloodstone, which means presence of mind. Your flower is a violet. Your lucky color is white.

to the support of the Stewart Government, Mr. Speaker, are congratulations and endorsements sufficient by the people of this Province to our honored Premier, Mr. Stewart, and therefore, my congratulations would be superfluous. There is however, a sadness in the meeting at this session of the House, when we renew friendships from Summerside district, on his able speech for the first time in this House. The name "Pope" stands for good government, and I can quite agree with the electors of Summerside that they made an excellent choice in electing Mr. Pope to support the Stewart Government. I wish also to congratulate the seconder, Mr. Bentley, another representative from Prince County. His speech was full of excellent matter. He did honor to his late Father, who was at one time the honored leader of the Conservative Party. While on this theme, Mr. Speaker, one cannot forget that congratulations are in order to the Hon. Mr. McPhee, of the Cardigan District—a young man of excellent promise, both as a lawyer and a politician—a young man who has been tried in the fire of warfare, and in the World's Great War did his duty for this country, and upheld the honor of this Province; and he can be relied upon in public life to give an excellent account of himself, as well as the Department over which he has the honor to preside—the Public Works Office. Neither would I forget that the honorable member from Murray Harbor, Mr. McLeod, on January 14th last, ably demonstrated that the electors of that district appreciated him as a man, merchant, and a politician. The honorable leader of the Opposition, while congratulating Mr. McLeod, showed that he appreciated the type of men that were elected in the recent by-elections, when he made flitting suggestions to the honorable member from Murray Harbor, that he would like to see him take one step over to the Opposition. Mr. Speaker, I can assure the hon. leader of the Opposition that no man wants to take that fatal step—be it only one. The honorable leader of the Opposition was extremely anxious for the welfare of the honorable member from Murray Harbor, and was glad he was so near to "good company." If my memory serves me aright, at the beginning of the first session of this Government, the hon. leader of the Opposition moved his seat, so that he would be nearer to "good company" and good government. The election of these three gentlemen referred to, times to be "on the move." Not attentive enough to details, probably you have dramatic ability, late or developed, and possibly skill at some sort of art-work. You will thoroughly enjoy spending money freely. Cultivate contentment. Beware of listening to gossip. Your birthstone is a bloodstone, which means presence of mind. Your flower is a violet. Your lucky color is white.

FUR FARMING

Mr. Speaker, the first matter that I wish to refer to is what might be termed an "omission in the Speech from the Throne," viz: Fur Farming, and I was pleased that the Mover and Seconder of the address referred to this important industry in this Province. The Fur Trade of the world ranks with the top position of most industries. The Fur Trade of Canada was the one thing that made colonization of Canada possible. In fact the "Fur Trade of Canada" was its first great industry and laid the foundation of the Astors and other prominent American families' great wealth. Mr. Speaker while Canada was the pioneer in the Fur Trade of the world, and Prince Edward Island the cradle of Confederation of Canada,—it is, Mr. Speaker, pleasing to note that Prince Edward Island was the pioneer and cradle of Fur Farming conservation I am not going to re-late the history of Fur Farming, but just say we have an industry handed to us by Sir Charles Daiton and others that is capable of large expansion and development. Furs must be produced for comfort and style, and while becoming scarce

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TREE-TOP STORIES BOAT-RACES THE melted snow made little rivers everywhere, and big pools in people's yards. "We'll make some boats," said Billie to Betty. "And sail them down to the great ocean." "Here's a piece of bark that will make a fine boat" answered Betty. Billie and Betty set their tiny boats on the water. Sometimes they had to poke them around big stones. "O! my boat almost got wrecked!" shouted Billie. "Look at mine! All the people will be drowned" called Betty. But at last both boats sailed out into the "great ocean" in Billie's and Betty's back yard.

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