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## MR. BELL'S MISREPRESENTATIONS

Very few men in politics, and none in the front rank, descend to barefaced misrepresentation in order to further their cause. Unfortunately for the fair name of this province, Mr. Bell, Leader of the Opposition, has lowered the standard of public life in this respect by repeatedly resorting to what have been cynically described as "terminological inexactitudes."

The actual reason for the Government's conduct must be found elsewhere. Mr. L. L. Jenkins, the farmer, is an important political personage. He was formerly a member of the House and a supporter of that Government. He is needy and must be provided for.

To begin with this is a dastardly attack upon a public official who is not in a position to defend himself. It is contrary to the recognized rules of parliamentary debate or political controversies to single out a government official for attack.

Mr. L. L. Jenkins is a well-known farmer belonging to one of our oldest and most highly-respected families, and independent both as regards means and opinions. Mr. Jenkins has never been known to sacrifice his convictions for the sake of personal advantage, whether temporary or otherwise.

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## POTATO SHIPMENTS

The rush in potato shipments is on again, this year considerably relieved by the excellent work that is being done by the car ferry, but this year, as always in the past and as it shall always be in the future if we persist in our present methods, we are faced with a shortage of cars on the mainland.

To prevent such losses as have frequently occurred in the past the railway authorities are refusing to accept potatoes for shipment to points outside the Intercolonial after the first day of November unless refrigerator cars are in waiting for them at the transfer points on the mainland.

## RURAL DEVELOPMENT

The latest report of the Commission of Conservation deals with the important subject of the planning and development of rural districts and small towns in Canada. It has been prepared by Mr. Thomas Adams, Town Planning Adviser of the Commission, who has made a close study of the problems of rural development in this country during the past three years.

The report deals comprehensively with the social conditions and tendencies in rural areas and the prevailing systems of land settlement and development. It indicates the rural problems requiring solution in order to secure the proper development and economic use of land for purposes of efficiency, health, convenience, and amenity.

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## NOTES

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## ADDRESS BY MISS MUNN AT TEACHERS' CONVENTION

The following address was delivered by Miss Cordelia C. Munn, President of the Teachers' Association of P. E. I., at the opening of the Provincial Teachers' Annual Convention, held in this city last Exhibition week.

I extend to you a very hearty welcome to this the thirty-eighth annual convention of the Teachers' Association.

I hope you will all take part in this convention. Remember, conventions are for every teacher—not just for the chosen few who read papers. Conventions are, as a rule, too formal. We come here, we listen to papers and addresses. Those of us who are appointed to take part in the discussions do so, and the great majority of us sit calmly in our seats and say not a word—and what that great majority may think on the questions that should be of vital importance to every teacher remains unknown.

I am convinced that the inspectors would like our united opinion on many matters, such as Entrance Examination, Course of Studies, Text Books, but they never hear that united opinion, because we are all afraid of the sound of our own voices. True, the inspectors know that some of us are dissatisfied, because, when they visit our schools, we pour into their ears our "tale of woe."

This Teachers' Association, too, should mean more than an organization whose chief business it is to hold a convention. It should mean a united body of teachers, each member of which agreed to do what was for the good of the whole body.

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up-to-date ones be substituted. Think of the number of years we have had to face the teaching of Grammar armed with Goggin's! It is rather like going to war armed with a bow and arrow against an enemy with all the latest military equipment.

I suppose it is useless to talk of a change in the text-book in Geography until after the war. The trouble is the book we are using at present was out of date years before the war began.

The British History, too.—If there is one subject more than another that ought to be interesting it is the history of that grand island kingdom,—that land we love to speak of as the "Mother Country!"

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On the great world struggle then waging,—the most colossal war in all History. Ridiculous? Well, I should think so.

A person might go on and pick out question after question from the Entrance Examinations that are unfair, ridiculous or obscure as to meaning.

I have talked a great deal about a Teachers' Union and I believe it would go a long way towards settling some of the difficulties about educational lines; but when I talk of a Teachers' Union, please do not think I mean an organization that would go on strike every few days—that would without provocation lay down the birch and walk out.

But I must get away from unions and books and examinations and come to some of the other things about which it is necessary that I should speak. Our old friend, Compulsory Attendance comes first to the mind.

Do you remember the history paper of last year? The candidates were asked to state the causes and the results of the Argyle and Monmouth rebellions—a mere playing at war—and they were not asked one question.

## A SOLDIER'S PROTEST

Sir.—In last night's issue of the Patriot I noticed a letter signed by W. P. Doull headed "the proposed Saw Off." Now, enough of this foolish nonsense. Why does not Mr. Doull say why he is opposed to the present Government or to Union Government? It is answerable in Watts or Candle Power or wire without the pulling?

Also, please Mr. Doull, don't quote Horatio Bottomly as representing Britain's Journalists. Let your reading go a little further than "John Bull" or "Jack Canuck" The majority of the people are not so easily fooled as you think.

I am for a clean Union Government. I am etc. ONE SOLDIER. Oct. 30th.

## PROHIBITION RELEASED

Sir.—Since the enforcement of the Prohibition Act has been placed in the hands of the Prohibition Commission we have observed a marked improvement in the enforcement of the law and a satisfactory result in the number of penalties inflicted. We are told that the Commission knows no political or other influences apart from an unflinching determination to enforce the law without "fear, favor, or affection."

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The other was committed on July 14 on a four months sentence. When he had served two months of his sentence, his wife called upon the Lieutenant Governor and stated that her husband had not been in the habit of selling liquor; that she and her family were in straitened circumstances having no means of support; that there was a position open for him if he could enter upon it at once and promised that if released he would never sell any more.

Both men were released on the distinct understanding that if they again violated the law no clemency would be extended.

## WAR MENUS

How to Save Wheat, Beef and Bacon for the men at the front. Issued from the Office of the Food Controller for Canada.

- MENU FOR FRIDAY. Breakfast. Sausage, Warmed-over Potatoes, Toast, Tea or Coffee. Luncheon. Scalloped Potatoes, Bread and Butter, Baked Apples, Rye Gems. Dinner. Baked Whitefish, Mashed Potatoes, Sliced Tomatoes, Steamed Fruit Pudding.

The recipes of the Rye Gems and Steamed Fruit Pudding, mentioned above, are as follows:—

- Rye Gems— 1 cup rye flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 2 tablespoons molasses, 1 egg, 2 1/2 cup of white flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 3/4 cup milk, 1 1/2 tablespoons melted dripping. Mix and sift the dry ingredients. Add molasses, milk, egg and dripping. Bake in a hot oven twenty-five minutes. Steamed Fruit Pudding— 1 cup suet, 1 cup sour milk, 2 cups wheat flour, 1 1/2 teaspoons salt, 1/2 teaspoon each of ginger, cloves and nutmeg, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/2 cup molasses, 1 cup rye flour, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 cup raisins chopped fine. Steam three hours.

## SUCH LANGUAGE AND USED BY A QUEEN.

ATHENS, Oct. 31.—Among the messages exchanged between the royal palaces of Athens and Berlin, and which have fallen into the hands of the Greek Government, was one in which King Constantine urged Emperor William to attack the allies on the Balkan front promising that Greek forces would attack General Sarraill's army in the rear.

"I understand your late uncle remembered you quite handsomely in his will." "He paid me a handsome compliment." "How was that?" "In cutting me off without a penny he stated that he knew I was too unselfish to want any of his money." —Birmingham Age Herald.

"Why do you go out rowing with that man? He thinks it's funny to rock the boat." "I've heard so," replied the athletic girl. "I took a dislike to him the first time I saw him, and I'm just dying for an excuse to hit him over the head with an oar." —Washington Star.

## DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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## BETTER OR WORSE WHICH?

Is the world getting better or worse? Just now this is a much discussed question, and upon which greater minds than yours or mine disagree. Some of our debating societies might take up this line of thought, and thrash out an answer. Many hold that civilization, as brought in great improvements in recent years, that living has improved, thanks to many inventions, that institutions of all kinds, have been erected for the sick, and needy and those of unsound mind. That the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God were better understood and carried out today than ever before.

And, counting find One self-denying act, one word That eased the heart of him who heard, One glance most kind That fell like sunshine where it went, Then we may count that day well spent. But, if through all the live-long day, We've eased no heart by yea or nay; If through it all We've done no thing that we can trace, That brought no sunshine to a face, No act most small That helped some soul, and nothing cost, Then count that day as worse than lost.

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