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THE FUN OF THE FAIR.

The City Council and the Exhibition Management are receiving the usual advice to prohibit gambling and the use of gambling devices on the Market Square and the Exhibition grounds during the coming fair.

While all law abiding citizens would deprecate the licensing of any side shows or devices of a questionable character it must not be forgotten that to very many the midway, with its many features some of which might perhaps be objectionable at a Sunday School picnic,—is one of the big attractions at the annual exhibition.

"Everybody likes a flutter occasionally; even staid reverend gentlemen have been known to insure their lives against the occurrence of accidents or death, and very few of us have not patronized bazaars and church fairs with the certain knowledge that we would be fleeced, albeit, in a good cause.

CURRENT COMMENT

There is nothing of religious nature in declaring that the crops and goods of this world are not the property of the temporary owner. Beyond question these are the gifts of God to the world for the maintenance of his people.

full sufficiency and that the surplus shall be preserved for the days when the manna does not fall. Holding food products under this moral law, for no other purpose than to create scarcity or active sale and to boost up to fictitious value, whether by the private holder in the small quantity, or the large speculating profiteer, is criminal and dishonest.

things brings higher prices it will be his honorable due and the better enjoyed because of the earlier sacrifice he may have made.

Railways, particularly government owned, are usually the most unprofitable investment for the country from the direct financial standpoint. The rule, from which there is little variation, is that the taxpayer must dip into his pockets to make up the difference between earnings and running expenses.

A few weeks ago, in one of its characteristic side thrusts, the Patriot made some odious comparisons as to the relative number of lawyers and merchants constituting the Government and Opposition sides of the local house. Exultingly it exclaimed that there was not one farmer on the opposition benches, but two lawyers and three merchants, while farmers were well represented on the Government side.

And these terrible lawyers, which the Patriot staged so dramatically at that time, seem to be quite a popular thing with them upon their second thought. Then it was just a little catering to the natural prejudice of farmers to lawyer representation. But, of course, the

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MY MOTHER.

Children, look into those eyes, listen to that dear voice, notice the feeling of even a single touch, that is bestowed upon you by this hand. Make much of it while yet you have that most precious of all good gifts, a loving Mother.

Government rule of practising directly opposite to what they preach applies here as in every thing else. Under the Arsenault Government one lawyer filled the joint office of Premier and Attorney General. The present aggregation have two to do this work. They have also a lawyer as Assistant Clerk of the House, formerly the work of a layman.

Canada has not been without her labor troubles, but has been more fortunate than other countries in the minimum of agitation and unrest created. This is largely due to the rank and file of the industrial classes whose influence and good counsel has had a sobering effect upon their more radical leaders.

Well might the Hon MacKenzie King bemoan the "united front" of the Government party as compared with the "lessened power" of "divided Liberalism." Prime Minister Meighen is now touring the country, and with the ablest and all needed members of his cabinet and party by his side.

The Watchman is again administering some needed "tonic" to the Bell Government. Technical Education is the subject, but the absence of the real in this form of education, the substance of its correcting ministrations. The grant it has been pointed out is reduced from \$18,000 to \$15,000 of which our Government, impoverished by excessive tax collections, are contributing the munificent (?) sum of \$5,000.

Prince of Wales College hustle and teach the teachers agricultural chemistry, also your experimental farm and your exhibitions. That's how to diffuse higher agricultural knowledge, not by attending picture shows in college hours, not at horse races, not at acrobatic stunts.

Analysis of the Colchester vote is most interesting in that it is shown that while farmer candidates of Conservative stripe won out strongly against the local Murray Government in the provincial elections, the farmer candidate, of admittedly greater political strength, failed most ignobly when pitted against the popularity of the Federal Government.

REASON WHY

There are always two halves to a truth. We are apt to forget this in the moment of enthusiastic acceptance of the half offered us. Much of to-day's unrest is occasioned by the half-truths floating about. Now, as possibly never before, we should be delving to the very roots of affairs, trying to get beginnings, sorting out fallacies, finding out details, before we make our decisions.

Take the labor situation. Trouble is constantly fomented because one side is fed on one half-truth, the other on the opposite fraction. Both are right—as far as they go—but they do not go far enough. Each political faction of the day deals with half-truths—and the leaders realize it. Each tries to make the one half so plausible that the generally of men and woman will not look further. The creators of the economic situation deal largely with half-truth—and what a mess they have made of it!

We allow ourselves to be swayed by self-interest or preconceived prejudice or blind loyalty to party. We listen or read and make our snap judgements, and the evil is. The most immature thinkers pass sentences easily on the most complex subjects. It would be amusing, were it not so utterly threatening to many of our already tottering institutions and beliefs.

SEARCHLIGHTS.

Searchlights fascinate—just the same as a life-saver fascinates those who watch him. It is because both seek to warn and to save. Who has not been thrilled by the piercing rays from the lighthouse as he stood on the deck of some ship, knowing all the time that that searchlight was doing business for him? And with what precision do the searchlights on the ship itself pierce their rays here and there, that no concealed danger may take the boat unawares!

Every time we go through an experience, we learn. And every time we learn, we store up information. And it's crystallized information from which we may form searchlights to guide us through danger and dire emergencies.

Every day we use your searchlights. At night-time use them most—when things darken about you, because it is at the night-time that perspective looms clearest.

Keep throwing your searchlights across the long string of events that have made up your life. Keep reviewing—keep—battering. Keep searchlighting!

Also bear in mind that the searchlights which you see to guide your own feet, may be very important, too, in guiding the stumbling feet of others.

The olive branch is the emblem of peace and the orange blossom is the emblem of war.

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