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INSULARITIES.

Countries, like individuals, have their distinctive characteristics. In each the characteristic is largely the imprint of environment. A broad outlook, a distant horizon with intervening variety of scenery, mountain and plain, river and forest, naturally tends to breadth of mental vision. "The strength of the hills" and the gentleness and tenderness of the valleys impress themselves upon the habitual beholder and become part of his nature. On the other hand, a hemmed in environment narrows and contracts and hardens. Prince Edward Island is, comparatively, a small country. It is not in the direct stream of world traffic, or even of continental traffic. It touches the stream only in spots and interruptedly. While it thus enjoys the advantages of isolation it is also subject to the dangers of isolation, and the greatest of these is narrowness.

Communities look out upon life with only a community's interest. As they mingle with other communities the outlook broadens, the interests expand and multiply and the community selfishness gradually disappears. Have we in Prince Edward Island outgrown the community spirit of the years, not so long ago, when we were entirely shut off from the rest of the world? We have mingled more freely with the world since then and have learned some, at least of its lessons—to our advantage and our disadvantage, but we have retained many of our insularities, some of these, also, to our advantage and some to our disadvantage. Among the attempts made to explain the regrettable exodus from our province the statement is frequently made that our young people leave to

THE ROAD ACT.

The attention of The Guardian has been directed to a section in the Road Act which, it is claimed, may furnish cause for possible unpleasantness. The section referred to is 91 and is as follows:—
Where it is necessary or expedient to procure materials for the construction or repair of the roads or bridges, the Commissioner of Public Works, if from the absence or refusal of the owner or possessor of the soil, no agreement can be made with him, may enter with workmen, carts, carriages and horses, upon any unimproved land, and therefrom for the construction, repair or protection of the roads or bridges, dig up and carry away stone, clay and gravel, and cut down and carry away trees (except ornamental or fruit trees) bushes, logs, poles and brushwood in a manner least prejudicial to the owners of such land.
Section 92 empowers the Commissioner of Public Works to make a valuation of the damages to the owner of such land or materials. Subsequent sections provide that if the owner refuses to accept the sum offered he shall have the right to appeal.
It is claimed that this section invests the Commissioner with an authority that may become too arbitrary. The owner of the "unimproved land" may be absent from the province; his land and trees may be more valuable to him than even a reasonable price would induce him to sell for. There may be many legitimate reasons why he does not want to sell. Through arbitrariness or for some reason, not necessarily explained, the Commissioner may enter upon a certain man's land and carry away, against the owner's will, material which another in the neighborhood would be perfectly willing to dispose of.
These and some other things, it is claimed, may happen and the section quoted appears to make it possible.
On the other hand, the injured party, if it should turn out to be an injury, has the right to appeal from the valuation placed upon his goods by the Commissioner and he is assured of justice in the courts—provided he appeals within the time limit.
There are, no doubt, places in the province where it might be necessary to enter upon lands, as provided for in this section, because of the impossibility of securing material elsewhere without incurring unnecessary expense. There are, no doubt, places where it is a guarantee of satisfaction which assures you of getting just what you want. There is a chain of over 3,000 of these stores that extend throughout the United States and Canada and each one is a leader in its community. The Rexall Sign means that here is a store that can give you what you want when you want it and charge you prices you want to pay. Patronize the Rexall Store. The McKinnon Drug Co. Corner Gt. George and Kent Sts. MET. Moore & McLeod. 7-8ME11.

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cases, which would justify the apparent arbitrariness of the act, but there appear to be, also, possibilities, of happenings which it might be well to provide against.
While it is not anticipated that, even though clothed with legal authority to do so, the Commissioner of Public Works would in any case act arbitrarily or unjustly, still, the act should provide against such possibilities, rather than for them.

NOTES.

In the opinion of the Montreal Witness the nomination of Mr. Woodrow Wilson brings reciprocity with the United States again into the field of practical politics on both sides of the border. With the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt by the Republican party, or an undisputed nomination of Mr. Taft, and a subsequent victory for that party, reciprocity would have been done to death, as a congress elected in touch with either of these champions would not be willing to hold open to us as good a bargain as is now upon the books. With the nomination of Mr. Champ Clark and a victory for the Democrats, a man would have been put in the White House with whom Canada could not deal. With the nomination of Mr. Wilson, and the election of which that nomination gives good promise, reciprocity becomes a part of the United States tariff programme just as it is with the Liberal party in Canada. With both it is a step toward the unrestricted trade that both believe to be for the best interest of the common people of their respective nations.

LETTER FROM S. A. McDONALD.

A paid advertisement appeared in the two daily papers stating that all the Dry Goods Houses of this City would close every Monday afternoon during the months of July and August. This article is certainly misleading and the writer there-of must have been drawing on his imagination. He should at least have had the modesty of consulting others in the same line before inserting such an ad. We regret that it does not contain the essential evidence of truth as this store closes on the same date as it has in past years beginning Monday, the 15th of July, and will be open for business all day, July 8th.
S. A. McDONALD.

ANSWER TO INQUIRIES.

Copper Stocks.—It is remarkable the way the price of copper metal is maintained above 17 cents a pound, ones which will make the largest producing companies are making enormous profits, the increased earnings will no doubt be eventually reflected in higher prices for many copper shares. I would not advise the purchase of shares in any copper company which is not now producing copper metal. The companies which are producing copper between 7 and 8 cents a pound are naturally the ones the ones which will make the largest profits.
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United States Steel.—Those in a position to know estimate that earnings for the quarter ending June 30 will exceed \$25,000,000.
U. S. MOTOR COMPANY.—I would not advise the purchase of either the Preferred or Common stock of this Company. Profits this year will not equal those of last year.
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