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THE DOMINANT PARTY

The dominant party has again "put one over" on the helpless Mackenzie King government. The Crow's Nest Pass agreement of 1897 has been restored at the point of the Progressive revolver, the government being unwilling to accept the alternative left them by their Masters, the Progressives, namely, dissolution and an appeal to the country.

It will be remembered that in 1897 an agreement was concluded by which the Canadian Pacific was to reduce its freight rates on certain specified commodities in return for a subsidy granted to its line through the Crow's Nest Pass. There was a clear understanding that the rates then agreed upon were on the basis of then existing operating expenses. The War came and, with it, increased operating expenses on all railways.

Rates were increased all round and the government suspended the Crow's Nest Pass agreement in order to permit the railway to revise its rates. The rates were accordingly revised upward as they were on all other lines. Now it requires no argument to prove that if it was necessary to raise freight rates because of increased operating costs, it is equally necessary to continue the increased rates while the increased operating costs continue. No one questioned the justice of this procedure until Progressives saw their opportunity.

The Mackenzie King government, in whose hands the present destinies of Canada are being held, were in a hole. They had "nowhere to go but out" if they did not grant such little favors as the Progressives demanded. The Progressives wanted lower freight rates on their railway; this was their opportunity and so, handily like, they gave the same order they had given in connection with the tariff, "Stand and deliver!" And the government delivered.

The rest of Canada will pay the difference between the actual cost of carrying western freight and what the Progressives are willing to pay. The railway, already buried in debt, will add more to its debt, the Progressive and Liberal members will draw two extra sessional indemnities and a government which is not a government will continue to govern Canada as a group of self-seekers in the west may dictate.

Had Mr. Mackenzie King been a statesman, had he been working in the interests of his country instead of his own, he would not have accepted either of the alternatives placed before him; he would have resigned the premiership. Had his Liberal followers been honest they would have demanded his resignation and gone out with him.

And this thing is to go on for another year! What further Canadian interests will be sacrificed at the dictate of this western group which for the moment holds the government in its hands?

MIGRATION

According to figures published by the United States National Bureau of Economics Research, the number of Canadians who took up residence in the United States during 1923 was 182,369, more persons than had emigrated from any other country in the world. In 1922 emigrants from Canada to the United States numbered 63,089. The migration from the United States was 2,687 in 1923 as compared with 3,608 in 1922. According to the Guardian despatches yesterday emigration to the United States has again taken an upward turn after a temporary falling off for a few weeks. The industrial boom in the United States which slumped considerably some weeks ago is again reviving. Fortunately for Canada, the recent tightening up of restric-

Notes By The Way

Premier Ramsay MacDonald is reported looking worn and in ill-health as he set out on his journey to Paris. Long before the Great War it was written that the cares of state are thorns upon the brow. Perhaps never before in human history were the burdens and cares that rest upon public men holding high positions in many countries so great and so corroding as they were in the years during and since that awful conflict. Some of the strong men in the world's statesmanship died under the strain of their great tasks and many others were forced to seek rest and recuperation by retirement to private life.

A strong man, physically and mentally is the British Premier. The same was true of many of his contemporaries who held high positions in Canada and the Empire only a few years ago yet who have since passed out of life or out of action because of falling health and the overstrain of care and work. It is most earnestly to be hoped that Premier MacDonald will not be among the many who fall or fall by the way. He is needed at his post. But it is the manner of the times to take little thought in advance of the chances of illness occurring and the changes it may bring.

Great is the debt which the world owes to its physicians and surgeons, and of this the visit of many skilled and eminent men of the surgical and medical profession is a timely reminder. Within the lifetime and the memory of men still living and active, plague, cholera and smallpox, now almost banished from the world, slew millions of the human race. Surgery was still in its infancy and patients under the knife were forced to suffer cruel torture. Since then the discovery and use of anaesthetics has blessed all civilized lands. The modern hospital and the cures wrought therein would have astonished our grandfathers.

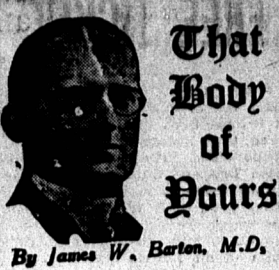
Both in prevention and in cure of the multitude of ills that flesh is heir to the services of a great and noble profession have been as multifarious as they have been marvelous beyond all possibility of recounting. Those services have also been altruistic for the cured patient whether he has been the victim of a bone-breaking accident or of some dread disease, no longer needs the skilful service that healed him until another accident or malady befalls him. And we may reverently reflect that it was as the Great Physician that One Whose Power was divine chose to exemplify it in many wonderful works.

The offer to cut their own salaries to the extent of one day's pay, stated to have been made by the higher officials of the Canadian National Railways is commendable. In many cases it would amount to hundreds of dollars each. It marks at least a beginning of that economy in public expenditure which is so greatly needed and was so much talked about of late and with so little result. There are as yet no indications that the spirit of economy shown at the head of the railway service is likely to spread to ministers, deputy ministers, members of parliament and the fat salaried men among the higher ranks of the civil service.

Apparently the fifty million dollars of cost in that quarter will be fully maintained and will go on increasing as before. In the recent postal strike hundreds of the strikers places were filled and when the strikers were taken back in a body there were two clerks and messengers where there had been one on the pay roll. How and when, if at all, the duplication may be brought down to a normal condition of things has not yet been explained. In the meantime the country must foot the bill that pays for ministerial inefficiency and bungling.

Relief for the unemployed since the year 1920-21, in six of the larger cities of Canada has cost the Ottawa Government, nearly seven million dollars. Of this large sum nearly \$3,000,000 was expended in Toronto and Hamilton; over \$1,750,000 in Montreal, over \$750,000 in Winnipeg and Manitoba. The great cause of this vast outlay, is the unemployment in Canadian cities in winter. Will the Robb tariff, which has already closed many factories in Canada during the spring and summer season start them going again next winter? We much fear that it will not.

EDITORIAL NOTES
The weather of the past few days would seem to indicate that Prince Edward Island has resumed its normal habits. It has been hot, but no one has yet been heard to complain. A few have hinted that a little rain would be in order but they admit that none of the crops are suffering from drought and the general opinion is that everything is all right.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

That Body of Yours
ICE
During the hot season there comes an occasional spell of cooler weather, and you may be tempted to be just a bit economical in the matter of ice.

Your cellar is fairly cool, or you have your ice box in a shaded or secluded spot, and you think you'll take a chance and do without ice for a few days.
Now there is just this point to remember. A great deal of your food has come to you off the ice; your meat, milk, butter, vegetables and fruits. The fact that it has been kept on ice is most apparent, because the taste is practically the same as when it was placed fresh on the ice.

But what happens when food is taken off ice and left for hours or days? You know by experience that it decomposes very rapidly, and is soon unfit for use.
Thus in saving a little money by doing without ice, you may not only lose the food itself, but you or your family have an attack of stomach poisoning due to the decomposed condition of the food.

One of the greatest exhibitions of common sense and humanitarianism is the system now in vogue in many cities, where ice is supplied by the cities or the ice companies, at a very cheap price if the consumer will carry the ice away.
Many municipalities give away ice to poor people from depots located in various parts of the city.
The saving of food, and the preserving of the lives of the citizens means a real economic saving to the community.
There is another point to remember also about ice and that is that it actually preserves the food in perfect condition from every standpoint.
The method of using preservatives in food is not allowed by the government, for the very fact that it alters the actual structure of the food and gives a taste that is often unnatural.
These chemicals sometimes effect the body if they have been used in excessive quantities.
The actual nutritive qualities of the food may be affected by heat or by chemicals.
But with ice the food is kept practically in its natural state.
The odor, the flavor, the structure, the nutritive value are all kept intact.
So then if you are thinking of doing without ice, or do not keep your food in a cool cellar, remember all that you are losing.
If you are willing to eat food that has an added odor, a different flavor, that is musty instead of firm, you must still think of the chances of ptomaine poisoning or some other digestive disturbance.
Don't take the chance.

Your Birthstone

JULY 11.—You have a bright, sunny disposition, self-control, good judgment, and a kindly spirit that draws people to you. Your friends are staunch and true, and many come to you for help and sympathy. You will have a happy home life, and will receive a deep constant love. Be ever thoughtful for others.
Your birthstone is the ruby, which means contentment.
Your flower is the water-lily.
Your lucky color is green.

WITH DAILY SALT PEOPLE WILL TAKE GOITRE PREVENTIVE

Manufacturer comes to aid of science by combining iodine with domestic product.

The grocers of Canadian salt manufacturer at Windsor have joined hands with the medical profession to combat all times the spread of goitre, a "dread disease" due to the enlargement of the thyroid gland.
A product has just been placed on the market which combined iodine in a minute quantity with ordinary pure table salt. This will be marketed by grocers and is predicted by medical authorities that the use of the "iodized salt" in cooked food and for table use will practically end the sinister inroads of this malady.
Long research on the part of the medical profession established beyond any doubt the fact that iodine was a preventive of goitre. Wherever this salt existed in the soil, there was little trouble from goitre. The disease is rare in sea coast areas, but malignantly prevalent in the fresh water lake areas where the soil lacks iodine and the vegetation received none of the element that the thyroid gland must have.

Between the ages of 10 and 13 there is a very large proportion of the population of certain areas afflicted with goitre. A recent examination by Dr. H. W. Hill, director of the Provincial Institute of Public Health, revealed that in a school with 332 girl students, 59 showed enlargements of the neck gland. Thus, 17% or one in six of the total 332 were affected.
As goitre usually leads to a surgical operation and frequently to fatal, the medical profession at once sought means of introducing

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The necessary element of iodine wherever the disease was prevalent. At first it was suggested that all city water supplies be treated, but the cities only would benefit by that method and even then with large waste as a small percentage of water supply is used for drinking.
Happily, the proposal of the chemists of the Canadian Salt Company to introduce a small amount of iodine into ordinary table salt, has been greeted by the Ontario Provincial Health Department with complete approval. A minute amount of iodine harmless to any other organ and quite tasteless, is combined with table salt and the "iodized" salt is used just as ordinary salt would be. It provides the requisite amount to ensure the thyroid gland the iodine required and goitre is prevented.
The product, stamped with the official sanction of the Provincial Board of Health, is now being offered to the public and thus a boon is conferred on humanity by a co-operation of the medical profession up and the manufacturer through the trade outlets that reach the great consuming public.
THE PROOF
"The Lady (contemptuously)—
"What are you—a man or a mouse?"
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