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ADVICE TO POTATO MEN FROM DEALERS

Ways and Means of Advertising and Placing Island Potatoes in Central Market Suggested by Experienced Dealer.

on the potato situation was received by Mr. J. O. Hyndman, Chairman of the Provincial Potato Committee, from a large dealer of potatoes in Central Canada, and should be read carefully by every grower and shipper in the Province.

19th December 1928.
J. O. Hyndman, Esq., Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Dear Sir—Your favor of the 17th inst. just to hand, and I am a strong believer in advertising potatoes providing the advertising will direct the sales. Undoubtedly a booklet with some of the Island, its northern location, uniform soil conditions, productivity of seed grown on the Island etc. would be advisable for distribution among the growers in Quebec, Ontario and the South. Such a booklet devoted exclusively to seed potatoes, and giving results of large trials obtained from P. E. Island seed would pay for itself over and over again. A grower of anything naturally wants to get the best seed, and is willing to pay extra for seed which he thinks is safe and dependable. I inspected hundreds of acres of potato seed grown from Island seed this summer and saw some of the best. The general idea of farmers in Kent and Essex counties in Ontario is that P. E. Island seed is worth more than New Brunswick. Once the grower becomes thoroughly convinced of this, he will shoot it from the house-tops. Undoubtedly the best advertising where the potato is sold in packages which reach the growers and under trade marks is absolutely necessary. A single shipper could not at the expense of this but a co-operation could.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

- Dr. Cliff, M. D.—Start now home prevention cure. Purdy Station Westchester Co., N. Y., U. S. A. 12-12-30ms
- ROBIN HOOD FLOUR is guaranteed to please you better. 9203-11-2
- Club loading bags at Murray River January 2nd. List before Dec 28th. John W. McLellan. 9272-12-27-3
- Warning: Don't forget special show "Road to Romance" with Ramon Novarro, Yen's Theatre, Montague, Saturday. 9275-12-27-31
- Notice, Yen's Movies, Nonads of the North. It's good. Emerald Hall tonight. Jordan Friday. North Wiltshire Saturday. 9293
- Christmas concert will be repeated in Vernon Hall, Friday, Dec 28th, if weather unfavorable. Mon. 9276-12-27-21
- Club Hogs will be taken at St. Louis Wednesday forenoon. Jan. 2nd. Book now. 9285-12-27-27
- The annual meeting of the Belfast Shipping Club will be held in the Belfast Hall on Saturday night, Dec 28th at 7.30 p. m. 9287
- Come to Christmas Tree and Entertainment in New Glasgow Christian Church, Friday, Dec. 28th. If not fine, the following evening. 9278-12-27-21
- The St. Peter's Dramatic Club will stage their popular play "The Master of the Marble" in the Holy Name Hall, on Friday night, Dec. 28th. 9279-12-27-11
- Remember "The Masque of the Shrew" operetta in costume and Sunday School Concert, St. James' Church Hall, Sunday, Dec. 31st. Admission 25c. Sunday School children free. 9280

Large Donations to Mayor's Fund

(Special to The Guardian)
LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Prince of Wales' appeal broadcast yesterday is bringing many large donations to the lord mayor's fund for the relief of unemployed miners among them one of thirty thousand pounds from Lady Houston and another of twenty-five thousand pounds from Lord Rothermere. Premier Baldwin has promised that the government will subscribe a sum equal to the total voluntary donations.

Coolidges to Spend Vacation in Georgia

(Special to The Guardian)
BRUNSWICK, Ga., Dec. 26.—The last Christmas Day in the White House at an end, President and Mrs. Coolidge were southward bound tonight for the Seaside Islands, off Georgia, for a winter vacation. Leaving the national capital at the holiday season for the first time since he assumed office, the chief executive left in the day aboard a special train for a trip which may extend until after New Year's day. Instead of their customary Christmas dinner at the White House, a sumptuous meal was prepared for President and Mrs. Coolidge on the train. A specially engraved menu card had been prepared. Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge were accompanied into the South by Frank O. Salisbury, an English portrait painter. The president has consented to sit for the artist during his stay in Georgia and the portrait is to be hung in the new home of the New York genealogical and biographical society. Mr. Salisbury has a portrait of the King to his credit and has painted Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and other prominent citizens.

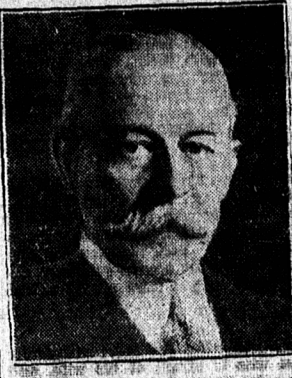
Quebec Govt. Has Surplus

(Canadian Press)
MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—All the departments of the Quebec Government showed increased revenues for the first five months of the fiscal year 1928-29. Hon. Jacob Nicol, provincial treasurer, declared in an incidental statement. Although Mr. Nicol did not make any comparative figures, he stated that the surplus revenue was "considerable and that the programme of construction and amelioration of certain public services would be proceeded with next year. He estimated that \$10,000,000 alone would be spent in improving the provincial highways.

Tributes From Bench and Bar on Retirement

When the County Court opened yesterday forenoon, Judge Stewart made the following references to the retirement of Mr. Henry Smith, for many years a Clerk of the Court: "I feel that the present session of the court should not be permitted to end without some reference being made to the fact that Mr. Henry Smith, who has for a period of forty-five years faithfully and efficiently discharged the duties of Clerk of this Court has chosen to retire on New Year's Eve from office and to terminate a service which has been entirely satisfactory to all concerned. He has filled with credit and business aptitude many offices in both Church and State. Not mentioning any of the former which are outside of my jurisdiction he has, in addition to performing the important duties of Court Clerk, been for many years the guardian of infants, the protector of neglected children, the secretary and guide of the several Probation Commissions and the receptor and exemplar of the Clerks of the five other circuits. He possesses in a remarkable degree the valuable qualities of tact and patience which have stood him well in the handling of disqualified suitors and disappointed advocates. He has well earned the salary paid him and the retirement granted him. The government will indeed be fortunate if it secures a successor of like trust and capacity. I am quite sure it is the wish of all that Mr. Smith will live long to enjoy the retirement accorded him. Mr. W. E. Bentley, on behalf of the

Palace Official



Sir Derek Keppel, shown above, is master of King George's household, and one of the two members responsible for its management.

'FRENCH LEAVE' PLAYED AT THE PRINCE EDWARD

The Glosop-Harris English Repertory Company chose, as their first offering to the play-going public of Charlottetown, a delightful light comedy, entitled "French Leave" which had its premiere in this city at the Prince Edward Theatre last night.

The plot is a war-time story, and revolves about the escapade of Mrs. Harry Glenister who, going under the nom de guerre of Mile. Juliette, is the heroine of the play. She is accompanied by her husband, Capt. Glenister, who is in the capacity of Brigade Major. This, of course, is contrary to army regulations, so she adopts the disguise of pretending to be the daughter of the French woman in whose house the staff is billeted, and whom she pays a sum of money to help her carry out the deception. Mrs. Glenister is a very charming young lady—also quite good looking—and, of course, much to the jealousy of her husband, who affords the audience a great amusement, she is the recipient of ardent attentions from General Root, O. C. Brigade, and Lieut. Graham, acting in the capacity of Staff Captain. The French interpreter, is likewise smitten, it appears.

Famous Toronto Surgeon Passes

(Special to The Guardian)
TORONTO, Dec. 26.—Dr. Clarence L. Starr, M.D., LL.D., professor of surgery at the University of Toronto and probably the greatest of the plastic surgeons in Canada, died last night in his home at 185 Teddington Park Avenue. Death was attributed to a heart disorder. Dr. Starr had been ill for some days. He had long been a member of the Canadian first reconstruction hospital. Next he became surgeon in chief at the Granville hospital at Ramsgate, England, with the rank of Lieut.-Colonel. At the end of the war he returned to Canada by the government and he organized the present chain of military hospitals in the Christchurch of which he has been given to no other Canadian was conferred on Dr. Starr in 1926 when he was appointed temporarily as director of surgery at Harvard University. Only a few days ago came word of another honor which he did not live to reap. This was a similar appointment at St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London, England. He would have left next June in compliance with this duty. He had long been a fellow of the American Surgical Society and at the time of his death was vice-president of that body. He was a past president of the American Orthopedic Association and an associate member of the British Orthopedic Association.

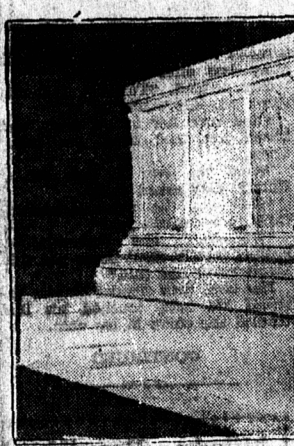
ROYAL FAMILY UNITED FOR CHRISTMAS

Steady Improvement of the Sovereign Cause at Buckingham Palace.

(Canadian Press)
LONDON, Dec. 26.—Christmas proved a good day for the King in his progress towards recovery and a happy day for his united family who rejoiced with the nation in the steady continued improvement of the sovereign. The bulletin of the physicians at Buckingham Palace tonight, gave to the public the cheerful news that the royal patient had passed a restful day and lent shown improvement in the local condition of the diseased lung. Maintenance of strength was also reported indicating that the general condition of the King was at least holding its own, despite the long siege of illness. The brief bulletin, the only one of the day said, "The King has passed a quiet day, the local condition is improving and the strength is maintained. The next bulletin will be issued tomorrow evening." It was signed by His Majesty's regular physicians, Sir Stanley Hewitt, Lord Dawson of Penn and by his surgeon, Sir Hugh Hensley. Newspapers were not published today nor will they be published today, tomorrow. The bulletin was therefore posted in the windows of post offices in all towns having telegraph stations and it was also broadcast by radio. All members of the royal family except two sisters of the King, Princess Royal and the Princess Maud of Norway were at the palace today participating in the homely pleasures incident to the Christmas. They attended divine service this morning and then all lunch-diners their husband, Capt. Glenister, who is in the capacity of Brigade Major. The British throne left the palace to make an appeal by radio in behalf of his unemployed subjects who are suffering distress as the result of the closing of the mines. The Queen Mary had gathered around her four sons, her daughter and the Duchess of York in a dinner party which fittingly ended the day with quiet domestic conviviality. The last Christmas that the royal family had spent together at Buckingham Palace was in 1914, a visit to London. Besides the sons and daughters there was another important guest.

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FOR UNKNOWN SOLDIER



This design for the tomb of an unknown soldier, the combined work of Lorimer Rich, New York architect, and T. H. Jones, New York sculptor, has been accepted by the United States war department.

PARAGUAYAN FORCES ARE DEMOBILIZED

(Special to The Guardian)
ASUNCION, Paraguay, Dec. 26.—Official notification of the demobilization of the Paraguayan forces recently called to arms by government decree was forwarded to provincial military authorities by the ministry of war today. The forces were mobilized after border clashes of the Bolivian-Paraguayan dispute which seemed near a peaceful settlement than at any time since troops clashed on the border early in December. A special committee named by the Pan-American conference has agreed to send the two countries for approval. This action was taken yesterday after Bolivia replied to a questionnaire sent her by the special committee. Paraguay had previously sent an answer to a similar questionnaire which asked for a statement of the points at issue in the dispute. The committee consisted of Dr. Victor Marutua of Peru, Minister Diaz de Medina of Bolivia and Eligio Ayala, Paraguayan delegate to the conference.

Dispute Between South American Countries is Nearing Peaceful Settlement.

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Serious Fight in Chinese Cafe

(Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—A fight in one of Ottawa's leading Chinese cafes during which Harold Starr, prominent athlete, was branded about the face and body with a red-hot poker, resulted in the issuance of three police warrants late today. The warrants charged Harry Woo, Chinese cook who is alleged to have wielded the heated poker, with causing grievous bodily harm; Arthur Tabor another prominent athlete, who is reported to have precipitated the fracas with disorderly conduct, and Starr also with disorderly conduct. According to the police report the disturbance broke out last Saturday night while Starr was attempting to pacify Tabor and persuade him to leave the restaurant after the Chinese proprietor and a number of his waiters had refused to serve Tabor. Besides the poker and the liberal supplies of fists, sugar bowls, sauce bottles, pepper and salt shakers, chairs, clothes, and in fact every movable object in the restaurant were used as weapons by the combatants. The authorities describe the affair as the most serious fracas of its kind ever to have occurred in the capital. Starr's estimates is that more than a score of Chinese took part in the fight. Feeling in the city is running high and the cafe in which the fight took place as well as other Chinese eating houses in the city are under special police guard for fear of reprisals.

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(Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 26.—A message from Queen Mary from Buckingham Palace where King George is slowly improving from his serious illness was forwarded today by the Government in Canada who is spending Christmas at the Citadel, Quebec City, to Premier MacKenzie King at Laurier House, Ottawa.

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RUM RUNNING ON INCREASE IN NOVA SCOTIA

The progress of prohibition in the St. John's Province is thus described in the Halifax Herald of Dec. 26th:—"In practically all phases of commercial activity the present Christmas season has been an exceptionally prosperous one and particularly so has this been true in the case of the rum running industry. "Little of the reportedly great stock of contraband liquor, however, landed in Nova Scotia during the past few weeks, failed to reach its destination successfully. "Interviewed last night by The Herald, J. B. McCormack, Divisional Chief of the Federal Preventive Service, declined to comment on reports that large quantities of liquor had been landed in this province during the last few days. No seizures, he declared had been made. "Rev. D. K. Grant, Inspector-in-Chief under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, while declaring that all his officers had been active, also stated that their efforts had been fruitless. "But the 'dry' Chief saw danger in the present situation. He agreed that there was a startling increase in the landing of contraband liquor in Nova Scotia and declared that this was both "discouraging and disappointing." There was something ominous in the fact that there was more liquor in the province at this Christmas time than there had been at the same season last year, he declared.

Federal Department Falling Down on the Job, Declares Chief Inspector D. K. Grant.

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Nun is Victim of Hospital Fire

(Canadian Press)
HULL, Que., Dec. 26.—Thirty-seven patients, many of them mothers with babies, some only a few hours old, were carried from Sacred Heart Hospital here early Christmas morning when a fire in the laundry chute spread over the central portion of the building. One woman died this afternoon as a result of burns she sustained when she tried to put out the blaze with a chemical extinguisher. She was Sister Cecile, formerly Miss M. Oreyer of Cartierville, Que. She was twenty-two years of age and took this vows two years ago.

Seek Combination Landing Device

(Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—The construction of an efficient landing device for planes combining skills and wheels is occupying the attention of government aeronautical engineers. Several forms are now being tested here but it is admitted that the problem is still unsolved. Aeroplanes frequently take off at one point, using wheels and on arrival at the end of a few hundred mile trip, find it extremely difficult to land without skills. Air mail flights between Toronto, Montreal and the Maritimes are particularly affected.

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