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Sometimes I doubt the worthiness of our civilization to survive, but I never doubt the worthiness of making a little more worthy my part of it.

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DEBATE ON DRAFT ADDRESS CONTINUED IN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Dr. A. A. MacDonald Deals Aply With Australian Treaty And Other Matters.—Speeches By Messrs. H. A. Darby, H. H. Cox, J. A. Campbell, H. Gordon, A. Stewart, P. A. Scully And W. Chester S. MacLure.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Mr. D. A. Darby (Lib.) commented on the prosperity of our Province. We were a happy people, with our free schools and our prohibition act in the charge of unfair campaign methods which had been made by the Opposition.

Referring to the Provincial Conference he said he would be glad to see the comparison of the present governments brief, with that of the late government, which, according to Mr. Arsenault, took two months to prepare.

Agriculture—Co-operation is the key note of success in agriculture today. He praised the ability of Hon. Mr. Lea and his efforts in the past in that capacity—especially with brood horses.

With regard to Hog Grading, the speaker maintained there was need of it now. It would help the industry. The scale of weights should be augmented, ten or fifteen lbs., so that not so many unfinished hogs would be placed on the market. Mr. Darby noted the decline in the beef industry, and thought we should pay more attention to it. He suggested two dairy inspectors instead of one.

Speaking of the Technical School, he said the late government had destroyed it. Short courses were of no benefit. You can't learn anything in a fortnight. The new road act, he hoped, would be a success. Statute Labour had worn out its utility.

Mr. Harry Cox (Lib.) deplored undue party politics, and thought we should all get together and work for our prosperity. He graphically described his visit to the Old Country, but thought there was no place quite so fine as the Island.

He contrasted the prices of our products of thirty years ago, with those of today. Thus, for instance, potatoes then brought 18 cents per bushel whereas now they bring \$1.10. He demonstrated that prices had gone up a great deal in the meantime.

In the matter of Roads, it was his opinion that the late government had let them go down in their four years in office.

Fisheries—There had been a falling off in prices in this industry. Smells are good. A promising herring industry might be worked up. As to lobsters, the trade in live lobsters was promising. But those caught on the north shore are small—not over nine inches in length. It is impossible to pack lobsters today in view of the prices it is necessary to pay the fisherman, and the amounts we can get for our product. Here Mr. Cox gave an account of the many difficulties which beset this industry at present. He stated also that cod fishing on the north shore does not pay, either.

Prohibition—Mr. Cox told a story about an Irishman named Pat, who had bought a bottle of moonshine, for which he had paid two dollars. On opening it he became dubious of its quality, and before partaking

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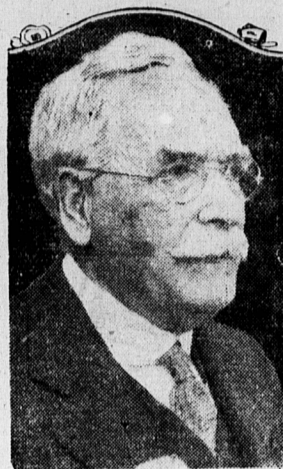
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Rev. Dr. W. T. Graham, prominent Canadian Baptist and chairman of the last session of the Baptist convention of Ontario and Quebec, who was taken suddenly ill while preaching a sermon in Beamsville recently. His condition is grave.

To Spend Nearly Four Millions On Nova Scotia Roads

(Canadian Press)
HALIFAX, N. S., March 23.—Capital expenditure of nearly four million dollars on Nova Scotia roads to start at once and spread over a period of three years was announced in the Legislative Assembly this afternoon by Hon. Percy C. Black, Minister of Highways, who introduced a bill to authorize the borrowing of \$3,600,000 and tabled the highways report.

In the course of his address the minister said if the general aid sought by the Government were granted the amount to be expended in this period would be supplemented by over two million dollars.

compliments to the speaker and to the mover and seconder of the address. He also paid his tribute of respect to the memory of deceased former members, remarking in this connection how many had gone from the house of late years. "On our side of the house," he said "I think the only one who was elected in 1916, and on the Liberal side there are only three or four."

The first vote taken in this house gave me a shock. I have heard the leader of the government state here repeatedly that their policy was to further the interests of returned soldiers. I expected more from the Liberal party, and was surprised that there were twenty four men so steeped in partisanship that they threw the returned soldier aside. I think if the premiers temperance professions are on a par with this, the speaker then proceeded to a consideration of the speech from the throne.

Prosperity—What is the criterion of prosperity? I would say that a good test would be the purchasing power of the labourer—the tiller of the soil.

Last year we grew millions of potatoes, but the price was low. I can't see any great prosperity in this. However, the price is now going higher and things may improve.

Dr. MacDonald, after making fitting references to the visit of our distinguished guests, went on to speak of the Fisheries. He said: "When it is stated that the fisheries are in a profitable condition I can assure you, gentlemen, it is far from the truth."

Our lobsters are getting less day by day. First there is the natural enemy of the lobster—the cod fish. Then there is man whose fishing depletes their numbers. The industry is suffering from the competition of the Japanese crab. Our cod industry is declining also, some say that our cod is not equal in quality to those caught off Nova Scotia—perhaps by reason of the nature of our soil.

In my opinion, the course at Halifax will not be of much benefit to the fishermen. \$45.00 was a small item to pay them while in attendance. If you can't offer them more than that, don't offer them anything. It would seem, too, that it is unnecessary to give them instructions in operating an engine. Any fisherman will have picked that up before he goes over there.

Oyster areas—Why should the leader of the government give away oyster areas? It should be his motto to hold what he has.

Road System—When the Liberals got into power, they inaugurated the policy of improving the roads, and they became very extravagant. First these were called "permanent roads," then "improved" roads and finally they were just bad roads. They failed to make any proper provision for upkeep.

We have been told we held to the policy of the Liberals. But traffic became so great that the bye-roads were badly in need of repairs. How was it possible in a country where there was no gravel to keep them up? But it was the policy to look after these bye-roads since they are

Dr. A. A. MacLeod then paid his

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TARIFF ON WOOLLENS IS DISCUSSED

Opposition Contend English Interference Responsible for Tariff Changes.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTAWA, March 23.—"Much cry and little wool," would very properly indicate the trend of the discussion on the tariff schedule affecting woollen textiles. At all events the Conservative Opposition contend we produce mighty little wool in Canada for the opportunities we have.

The debate last night, which was continued all this afternoon, constituted a sharp conflict of views on the tariff on woollens. Conservatives attacked the changes as having been inspired by English woollen interests.

The tariff, Hon. Mr. Bennett, Conservative leader charged, seemed to have been made by Huddersfield and Bradford rather than by Canadians for Canadians. Hon. Hugh Guthrie further expressed resentment at what he termed the "interference of Yorkshire millmen."

Hon. James A. Robb, Minister of Finance, remarked that there were instances where Canadian manufacturers had made representations to the British Government through the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in London. Representations of a similar nature had been made to the Governments of South Africa, New Zealand and Australia in an effort to obtain

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Miss Mildred Bennett Visits Toronto

(Special to the Guardian)

TORONTO, March 23.—With a bright glow on her cheeks and a merry expression in her eyes, Miss Mildred Bennett, sister of Canada's Conservative Leader, Hon. R. B. Bennett, looked very well indeed on her arrival in Toronto this morning. She is here for the complimentary banquet to be tendered this evening to Joseph Harris, M. P., by Ward Eight Conservative Association.

"I am enjoying social life in Ottawa tremendously," said Miss Bennett to the Telegram. "I am returning to the Capital tonight, after the dinner, because their Excellencies are dining with us tomorrow evening."

Asked regarding any special hobbies, Miss Bennett laughingly said, "I don't know that I have any," but admitted a fondness for golf, tennis and skating. That political life at Ottawa has not dimmed her feminine love for shopping was evidenced this morning, for Miss Bennett left the hotel shortly after ten o'clock and spent the morning inspecting the stores. She lunched with friends.

Pleaded Guilty And Is Remanded

(Canadian Press)

LONDON, March 23.—Thomas Joseph Nolan, the young London tailor who was arrested in connection with the alleged smuggling of firearms and ammunition as part of the plot against the Irish Free State pleaded guilty today to illegally having in his possession, revolvers and ammunition, and was remanded after formal evidence had been taken in police court.

The police are believed to have detained five men in connection with the roundup of suspected smugglers, and the roundup is being continued. A Chinaman, steward on a ship in the Thames, who was arrested on a charge of illegally importing and concealing 35 revolvers was remanded.

Degree Conferred On Vincent Massey

(Canadian Press)

BERKELEY, Calif., March 23.—The honorary degree of LL. D., was conferred on Vincent Massey, Canadian Minister to Washington, by the University of California at the sixtieth anniversary of which Hon. Mr. Massey delivered the charter day address.

(Canadian Press)
LONDON, March 23.—The Labor motion to repeal the Coal Mines Act of 1926 providing that eight hours should constitute a day's work in the mines, and to restore the former seven hour day was defeated in the House of Commons by a vote of 154 against 127 today.



Prince Eitel Friedrich, second son of former Kaiser Wilhelm, is reported to be engaged to the wealthy widow of Joseph Schwartz, famous baritone and one-time Metropolitan opera star. Her proposed marriage to Eitel would be Frau Schwartz's fourth. She is 52 years old and is one of Germany's wealthiest women. Prince Eitel is 45 years old.

CANADIAN PLAYS SKILFULLY DONE

But There is Paucity of Original Ideas, Says Judge in Montreal Competition.

MONTREAL, Que., March 23.—Faculty of original ideas, rather than lack of technical skill, is revealed as the chief barrier to the development of a national school of drama by the results of the one-act play competition conducted by the Montreal branch of the Canadian Authors' Association. Even the four plays which carried off the awards were not notable for skilful construction than for freshness of thought, according to Sir Andrew MacPhail, chairman of the committee of judges.

As the competition was open to entries from all over Canada, the only qualification demanded being residence in the Dominion, its revelations may with justice be accepted as indicative of the failings and virtues of Canadian playwrights as a class, he said. Studied in this light they are dampening to the hopes of any early evolution of a national drama. Faulty technique can eventually be cured by carefully directed training, but intellectual sluggishness is a more stubborn evil.

The critic must, however, take into consideration the possibility that the lack of native vigor in the competitions submitted is chargeable to artistic, rather than intellectual timidity. A few at least of the 93 authors who forwarded one-act plays to Sir Andrew and his committee are doubtless capable of vivifying life from new angles and interpreting their glimpses in a fresh manner, but are ill at ease with what is generally regarded as an artificial and restricted medium of expression.

If this be the case, there is still sound reason to hope for the Canadian drama. It has not been still-born but stands in need of sturdy nourishment and encouragement that it may learn to use its limbs and faculties.

The young playwrights who are afraid to give free range in their thought and seek intellectual adventure in unexplored regions lest they commit stylistic gauderies may easily be imbued with the pioneer spirit as they gain familiarity with their chosen medium. It must be remembered that playwriting has received less attention in Canada than other branches of artistic expression and is still looked upon as an experiment fraught with danger. The author is as subject to stage fright as the player.

Another avenue of thought was opened up by the competition. Sir Andrew MacPhail reiterated the belief of a small body of enthusiasts that the hope of the Canadian drama lies in the Little Theatre, while another commentator on the stage, Robert L. Calder, K.C., who included a study of the drama in his varied interests, feels strongly that before the Little Theatre can establish its

MCDONALD EXECUTED

Slayer of Taxi Driver Went to His Death Bravely.

VALLEYFIELD, Que., March 23.—George C. McDonald, convicted murderer of Adelard Bouchard went to his death bravely here this morning, mounting the gallows steps with firm gait and head erect.

The execution took place at 5.37 p. m., and 12 minutes later the body was cut down by Hangman Arthur Ellis.

Sheriff Crippin led the way up to the platform with McDonald right at his heels accompanied by Rev. Father Verscheiden, chaplain of the Bourdeaux Jail, Montreal, and the assistant jailman.

No newspapermen were admitted to the scene, but a statement was made later by prison officials.

An inquest was held at 8 a. m., the jury returning a verdict of "death by hanging."

A telegram was received at the jail during the night for George from his wife, Doris. It read: "Tomorrow Mass and communion will be offered and I will never cease to pray for you. May the Blessed Lady receive you at the gates of heaven."

On reading the message, George murmured "God bless her soul." It was the first communication between the husband and wife since Wednesday when the Governor-in-Council commuted the woman's sentence to life imprisonment.

Preparations for Execution

Actual preparation for the hanging began at four o'clock when McDonald was awakened. He had slept well during the night. Mass was celebrated by Father Verscheiden during which the doomed man received holy communion. At the conclusion of the ceremony McDonald knelt by the side of his spiritual adviser in prayer as there was a delay of half an hour as Hangman Ellis insisted on waiting until daylight.

Sheriff Crippin commented later on McDonald's bravery. "Yesterday he said to me you wait and see if I don't mount the gallows with firm steps and head erect and he certainly did," the Sheriff said. On the scaffold Father Verscheiden intoned "Jesus, Redeemer, have mercy on my soul" McDonald repeated it over and over after the priest and while doing so the trap was sprung.

The crime for which McDonald was executed was a brutal one. Bouchard, father of a large family was engaged by two men and a woman to drive them over the United States border from Montreal. The following day he was found dead lying in a ditch with his car and money gone.

Following a long search McDonald and his wife Doris were arrested in Denver, Colorado and brought back to Valleyfield to stand trial. Conviction followed and George and Doris were sentenced to death. The jury however, in the case of Doris returned a strong plea for mercy and it is believed that this plea influenced the Governor-in-Council to change her sentence to life imprisonment.

Verdict Of "Gross Negligence" Is Returned

(Canadian Press)

MINNAPES, March 23.—A verdict in which "gross negligence" was charged to the Hollinger Mine management and operating executives for permitting rubbish to be dumped in old stopes was returned this evening by the coroners jury inquiring into the Hollinger disaster in which 39 men lost their lives. It was recommended that all stopes in the mine be cleaned out and made safe and that more government mining inspectors be appointed.

Toad Lived In Stone For Twenty Years

(Canadian Press)

WINNIPEG, March 23.—A toad that lived embedded in stone for 20 years has been found at Emerson, Manitoba. The toad was discovered by workmen employed in tearing down a section of a hotel which was being demolished. The toad was found sitting as he had sat for the past 20 years, dusty and somewhat shrunk, the toad was at first thought to be dead but when touched it moved with a healthy hop.

self as a medium of cultural education, it must temporarily lower its standards and meet the public on its own plane. He believes that the amateur theatre should first give the public what it wants," however, galling that may be to the artistic elite, then lead them by easy stages upward into a mere rarefied atmosphere. Perhaps in this manner, both authors and audiences might learn to think.



Gordon H. Smith, Canadian flier, who has started on a 10,000-mile business tour in the United States by airship. He is manager of the aeronautical department of a New York paper. His tour covers the airship makers' plants of the United States and he will make appointments from the air by radio. During the war he served with the Canadian and British artillery.

Driver And Five Children Were Burned To Death

(Special to the Guardian)

LEAF, Miss., March 23.—Five school children and the driver of an automobile conveying the children from the Salem school to Leaf were burned to death here late today when a huge pine tree beside the road fell on the passing auto. Two pupils in the rear seat were thrown from the car and suffered broken legs, while one occupant of the car, a girl, escaped uninjured.

Death Of Senator Woodbridge Ferris

(Special to the Guardian)

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Senator Woodbridge N. Ferris of Michigan died here this morning from an attack of pneumonia. The 75 year old veteran of Michigan political battles succumbed after a little more than a week's illness, which began with a heavy cold he could not shake off.

Senator Ferris was known as the "good Gray Governor" of Michigan and the man who broke through that states normal republican majority of 500,000 votes to be elected to the Senate in 1922, as a Democrat, something that had not been done for 70 years.

Viscountess Willingdon Visits Commons

(Special to the Guardian)

OTTAWA, Ont., March 23.—An unusual visitor was noticed in the distinguished visitors gallery of the Commons today in the person of Viscountess Willingdon, who was an interesting spectator, being accompanied by A. Mieville, the Governor-General's Secretary. The Governor-General himself never appears in the House of Commons, following the parliamentary tradition that the King shall not enter the Commons.

CANADA READY TO CONSIDER PROPOSAL

Senator Tanner's Resolution Declares any Move by Newfoundland for Union Would Be Given Consideration.

OTTAWA, March 23.—Any representations for union between Canada and Newfoundland would receive the consideration of the Canadian Senate. This was effected today from the debate which was precipitated by the resolution of Senator C. E. Tanner, which declared that "in the opinion of this House, Canada should favorably consider any proposal that may be made by Newfoundland for union with the Dominion of Canada."

Speaking to his resolution, Senator Tanner declared that the Senate could not make anything in the form of a definite proposal. That must necessarily come from the authority of the country, either the government of Canada or that of Newfoundland. But the Senate was justified in putting upon record its views in regard to public opinion in Canada. Any proposal from Newfoundland for union with Canada would be welcomed and the people of this country would be ready to sit down and talk the matter over in a friendly spirit.

The Senator pointed to the community of interest between Newfoundland and the Maritime Provinces, and to the increasing trade between the two countries. He praised Newfoundland's war effort and its loyalty to a common crown.

Senator Tanner felt that it was desirable that the units of the Empire should be consolidated "further than they are if the people of Newfoundland should desire." The Senator said he would like to entertain a vision when not only Newfoundland but also the British West Indies—all units of the Empire on this side of the Atlantic, would be consolidated into one great dominion.

London Exchange Surpasses Wall St.

(Special to the Guardian)

LONDON, March 23.—An historic settlement of the Stock Exchange was concluded today with a volume that is believed to surpass the highest total ever achieved in Wall Street. It is estimated in some quarters that 4,000,000 contraband shares and 7,000,000 Mexican Eagle shares were called for payment, recalling the days of the Kaffir Boom. In addition many millions of gramophone, cable, wireless, heavy motors and textile issues changed hands.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

*IRIS BRAND Rolled Oats are PAN-DRIED, all grocers. 3-23-2 wks.

*Dr. Green will be in Mt. Stewart for the practice of dentistry every Monday beginning March 26th. 3331-3-22-21.

*Bedford Shipping Club loading live hogs, Wednesday, March 28th. List now. Court & Son, Sec'y. 3350-3-23-21

*Come and hear the Young Peoples Society of Cornwall present "Safety First" in North River Hall, Monday, March 26th. 3361-3-23-31.

*Dr. Clift, M. D., 112 Prince Street, Chronic invalids cured at home. 3109-3-13-3mos

*Wood & Company, Crapaud, will display their New Spring Millinery beginning with Tuesday, March 27th. When you call, see our complete line of wall paper and floor oilcloth. 3327-3-22-21.

*All kinds of Home Cooking—Cakes, Pickles, Jams, Candy, etc., at Prowse Bros, this afternoon by W. M. S. of Brackley. 3361-3-23-31.

*In York hall, March 28th., the York Dramatic Club will present "Bashful Mr. Bobbs," a farce comedy in three acts. Specialties between acts, also box social at close of play. Admission 35c and 25c. Ladies with boxes free. Proceeds in aid of Rink fund. 3367

JUST WHAT MAKES THE MARCH HARE MAD—?

TORONTO, March 23.—Northwest winds fair with not much change in temperature.

Toronto fair	48-21
Montreal	49-14
Quebec	32-8
Charlottetown snow	34-19
Halifax rain	44-32
St. John fair	38-24
Boston clear	46-30
New York clear	44-36
High tide this afternoon at 12:29, and tomorrow morning at 12:29.	
Sun sets this evening at 6:18, and rises tomorrow morning at 5:52.	
First quarter moon, Wednesday March 28th, 7:30 a. m.	
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.	