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EMPLOYED BOYS' STATISTICS

The result of the survey conducted in Charlottetown by a committee of the Rotary Club, published elsewhere in this issue, will furnish food for much serious thought. This was the first survey of the kind undertaken in Charlottetown and while probably not as complete as might be wished, the information furnished is approximately correct.

The paragraph "Re Educational Advantages" reveals a condition that is not creditable to a city like Charlottetown. One third of the employed boys between the ages of ten and nineteen left school before completing the fifth grade, while the remainder only went a little farther.

The result of this is shown in the fact that all but seven of the total number of employed boys are content to remain as they are—only seven "taking special educational work during leisure time."

This is lamentable and reveals another condition which should not exist in a city like Charlottetown, namely that there are no opportunities for "special educational work during leisure time." The boy who is compelled by his circumstances to leave school and go to work at an early age, may, if he has the ambition and the will, pursue his studies either alone or by the aid of a friend, and some have done it but they are a rare exception. An elementary night school in which he could take up the thread of his school work where he had left off, would enable him to go on towards, and probably to, a successful business or professional career. In such elementary schools elsewhere, the Carnegies and the "Abe" Lincolns received their opportunity and laid the foundation of their future greatness. A city like Charlottetown should be able to provide such means for its young men. Such a school is one of Charlottetown's crying needs. True, we have our business colleges with their night classes, excellent institutions, but what is needed is something between grade four or five in the public school and the more advanced classes in the business college. In such a school the boy whose early education had been nipped in the bud would find himself among his equals and would have his opportunity.

The Rotary Club, to which we are indebted for the valuable information furnished by the survey, and which is interesting itself in the moral and material welfare of the city, will, we trust, follow up the good work so auspiciously begun. A healthy public sentiment properly directed would secure this boon for Charlottetown, this opportunity for its boys; and the Rotary Club, composed as it is, of our most representative citizens, is in a better position to create and direct such sentiment than any other agency we have.

Another great need revealed by the survey is properly directed amusement, in other words, a supervised playground. Thirty-three per cent. of our boys between ten and nineteen depend upon the streets, pool rooms and movies for their entertainment! Is it any wonder that twenty-one boys between the ages of eight and fifteen have been "dealt with by court?" The wonder is that the number is not very much greater.

Another fact revealed is that thirty-two per cent. claim to belong to some boys' club, gang or organization. The outstanding supervised organizations being Trail Rangers, Tuxis' Boys, Y. M. C. A., and League of the Cross. Sixty eight per cent of the boys were not linked up with any of these. To what organizations or gangs do they belong?

It is impossible in the space at our disposal to analyze the survey in detail. We commend it to our readers and trust they will consider it very seriously. The outstanding fact revealed is that as a Christian and civilized city we are not doing our whole duty by the young people, that a large percentage of our boys, through no fault of their own, have not had their chance. They are our "little ones" and inasmuch as we have done it unto these we have done it unto Him whom we profess to follow.

THE PATRIOT AGAIN MISREPRESENTS.

The Patriot, true to its usual practice, assumes an air of righteous indignation over an editorial in yesterday morning's Guardian, an editorial which it again misrepresents.

The Patriot of the previous day had said: "Mr. Bell's Government can do nothing without legislation. Why does the Guardian not impress this fact, and that legislation cannot not be had till February or March. Why is this truth not emphasized?"

Commenting upon this the Guardian said, "The Policy of the Bell government now is ACCORDING TO THE PATRIOT, to do nothing for the teachers until the legislature meets next Spring." In its yesterday's issue the Patriot uses its choicest adjectives in abusing the Guardian for its interpretation of this sentence.

The trouble with the Patriot is that it began by defending Mr. Bell's mistakes; it is now trying to defend its own and either contract is more than sufficient for its overworked temper.

Under the circumstances, seeing that the Bell government and the Patriot are both in a hole of their own digging, the Patriot will do best by both if it just stick to plain facts. When it goes beyond these it puts its foot in it as it has done in its present criticism.

A LEAGUE OF NATION-BUILDERS

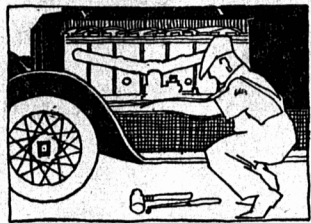
The Navy League of Canada is a League of Nation-builders; its members are the thinking people of the Dominion who believe in the future greatness of their country and of the unbounded prospects which await the full development of our national life. They are, as it were, the pioneers of the greater and more prosperous Canada of to-morrow, and they are leaving no stone unturned to attain their patriotic object. They realize that if Canada is to measure up to the high standard demanded of Canadian citizenship this must be brought about by a national maritime expansion. The future of Canada is on the sea, her wealth must be gleaned from the great trade marts of the world, her strength must lie in her ships and sailors. In the great era of trade expansion which has opened a nation must secure her share of world trade or face a bleak future of national bankruptcy. And this trade must be carried on the bottoms of merchantmen, adequately protected by an efficient navy. Canada to-day stands at the cross-roads. She must either go forward to a glorious future or decline into a state of national impotency. The Navy League of Canada is working to make our future success sure.

On October 21st, Nelson Day, an appeal will be made throughout Canada for a \$500,000 fund to carry on the work of the League. In this province an appeal will be made for membership in the League and for funds. We trust the response of our people will be worthy of the day and of the cause. It is for Canada.

HINTS FOR The Motorist

BY ALBERT L. CLOUGH

FREQUENCY OF VALVE GRINDING



W. G. C. asks: How often ought the valves in a well built engine require grinding? It seems to me that those in mine need it rather too often.

Answer: This is a difficult question to answer. Just as a guess, we should say at from 5,000 to 10,000 miles. The unsating of the exhausts, due mainly to exposure to the hot gases, determines when grinding must be performed. An engine run customarily at nearly full power and speed will require attention, as to its valves, sooner than a similar one that is run mostly at low output. The timing also makes a great difference, the exhaust valves of very high speed engines being set to open very early, before the burning charges have been reduced in temperature and pressure to the point usual in low speed practice and thus the valves are subjected to more serious burning effects. The material of valve heads has a most important bearing upon their ability to withstand burning gases, in fact this is perhaps the most important factor in securing tightness for long periods.

STARTING UP DISUSED CAR

J. M. C. writes: A certain car has been laid up for four or five months and has never been seen by the party who is to run it. What should be done before trying it out or even running the engine? Answer: We assume that this car is jacked up. Rear and front wheels should be tried to see that they are on tight and that they run freely with good lubrication. The steering gear should be inspected. It should be demonstrated that the clutch disengages properly and that the gears can be shifted. Of course, the tires should be inflated to the correct pressure. Cranking the engine by

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BRIGHTEN THE CORNER

Do not wait until some deed of greatness you may do; Do not wait to shed your light afar; To the many duties ever near you now be true; Brighten the corner where you are!

CHORUS

Brighten the corner where you are! Brighten the corner where you are! Some one far from harbor you may guide across the bar, Brighten the corner, where you are!

At a time like this, while the vapors of the war are still hanging over the world, there is unusual need for a revival of religion. There is unusual need that men who believe in Jesus Christ should set themselves afresh to learn His will, to imitate His Spirit, and to walk in His ways. Whereas the spirit of war is the spirit of hate, Christian men who ought now to recognize a special obligation to cultivate the spirit of love. To be kind, forgiving, unselfish should be our endeavor. To set up the kingdom of God and to embrace with its bonds of brotherhood our fellowmen of every rank and every nation should be our aim.—Presbyterian and Westminster.

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

THANKSGIVING

Then be it ours today with one accord, To humbly offer praises to the Lord For all His mercies, bless His name Forget, ungrateful! His kindly care. 'Tis to His bounteous hand alone we owe The blessings that surround us here below. Our peaceful homes, dear type of Heaven on earth, Friendship, and love, rare gems of priceless worth. Where much is given, as is most justly due. Much is required of service, zeal and true— To may our warm devotion henceforth prove Life one Thanksgiving Day of grateful love.

Bright sunshine ushered in Thanksgiving Day which was duly celebrated in the morning with numerous house-party reunions of young and old. The Thanksgiving services were well attended and many of the churches were handsomely decorated with fruits and flowers emblematic of the rich harvest which this Province has enjoyed.

The Prince of Wales who is ending his Western Canadian tour is expected back in Ottawa at the end of the month and during his visit will unveil a large brass tablet which H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught is having placed in St. Bartholomew's Church in memory of the members of his staff while in Ottawa who gave their lives in the service of the Empire.

The Ven. Archdeacon Armitage, rector of St. Paul's Church, Halifax, and who is widely known here, was asked out for signal honor at the recent Convocation of Wycliffe College, Toronto, when he was made a Doctor of Divinity, "honoris causa." Dr. Armitage is already a Doctor of Philosophy of the University of New Brunswick, and has now as a recognition of his theological learning, been made a Doctor of Divinity. Mr. F. C. Jarvis, of Toronto, is presenting the Archdeacon for the degree, to Dr. Newman W. Hoyle, President of the College, made striking reference to the services rendered to the whole church by Dr. Armitage in connection with the revision and enrolment of the Book of Common Prayer.

One of the attractions of Thanksgiving Day was the football match on the C. A. A. grounds, the team from St. Dunstan's University being the winners.

Dr. Alexander McNeill of Summerside has gone on a short visit to New York.

Among those welcomed from overseas this week was Lieut. Colonel C. F. L. Hassard who spent the weekend in the city with his parents Mr. Justice and Mrs. Hassard before proceeding to Calgary. He was accompanied by Mrs. Hassard who met him in Halifax.

The Rotarians had a jolly evening on Thursday when each member was responsible for the entertainment of a boy. This novel feature turned out most successfully, over one hundred Rotarians and guests sitting down to a dainty repast provided by the Phil-

A Pretty Pass, Indeed!

Sir—The Pioneer reports that in a recent case tried before a Justice of the Peace for Prince County the Magistrate in giving judgment and finding the party the sum of twenty dollars delivered himself of the following:

"That the charge was a serious one and that if sent to the higher court would entail a heavy burden on the Province—something the Government could ill afford considering the state of the finances."

If the Magistrate is properly reported then we must conclude that hereafter no cases must be sent up to the Supreme Court and thus save the Bell Government expenses in prosecuting criminal cases. It has come to a pretty pass indeed when we must suspend the operation of the Criminal Code in this Province, and allow criminals to go on nominal fines because the magistrate wishes to help out the Government. Perhaps a little more justice and a little less politics might be conducive to better morality in Prince Edward Island.

I am Sir, etc. JUSTICE.

athia class and presided over by Mr. J. A. Clark, who is especially interested in the welfare of boys.

Rev. Ernest S. Gray, who is supplying the Summerside Baptist Church for the month of October, is readily making friends in the Western capital. Mr. Gray, who is a native of England where he held Pastorates in Oxford and Sandhurst, was in France on active service during the war and is but a recent arrival in Canada having joined his father in Toronto about six months ago.

Mrs. Percy Pope said farewell to her friends here this week among whom she was pleasantly entertained, and left yesterday to spend the winter in Stoneham, Mass., with her daughter Mrs. Sheehan.

Mrs. W. L. Scott who has been visiting here for some weeks left yesterday for her home in Ottawa accompanied by her father Sir W. Sullivan who will spend the winter with his daughters.

The choir of Zion Church were pleasantly entertained by the Ladies Aid on Thursday to an evening of social games, music and dainty refreshments which was voted one of the best church affairs of the season.

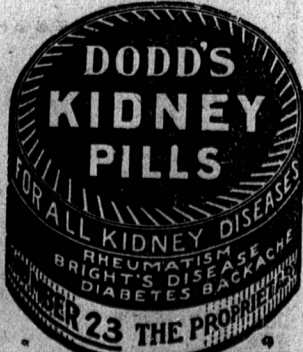
In the death of Rev. Daniel McLean his Province has lost a citizen whose name was almost a household word and where known he was loved by all or his many sterling qualities. Deep sympathy is extended to the bereaved family, brothers and sister.

Among the week-end visitors here will be Mrs. Donaldson of Toronto, who is to be the guest of Rev. H. D. and Mrs. Raymond at the St. Paul's Rectory. Mrs. Donaldson comes in the interests of the Forward Movement and being a lady of outstanding ability and pleasing personality her addresses are being eagerly anticipated.

The Charlottetown Golf Club held their annual luncheon, the closing event of the season, on Thanksgiving Day. It was a gathering at which a great deal of fun was enjoyed with the jartaking of the many dainty refreshments prepared by the ladies. The prizes were awarded and a season of enjoyable gatherings was successfully closed.

It was with feelings of regret that the many friends of Mrs. Percy Barlow bade her farewell yesterday as she is leaving this morning to visit relatives in Milford, N. S. before proceeding to California with Mr. Barlow. Prof. and Mrs. Barlow are favorites in Charlottetown both in musical and social circles and their departure is deeply regretted. Last evening the choir of St. James Church, of which they are both esteemed members, waited on them and presented Mr. Barlow with a valuable walking stick and Mrs. Barlow with a beautiful costly brooch. Mrs. Barlow's departure was unexpectedly hastened as she is to meet her sister Miss Whidden, who is leaving early next month for France where she will join Mrs. Post in whose private hospital she served during the war. The very best wishes go with Mrs. Barlow and winsome young Philip to their new home. Mr. Barlow will remain in the city for a few weeks longer.

The Toronto Globe has several references this week to Mrs. Ewan Macdonald (L. M. Montgomery, of Anne of Green Gables fame, who is visiting Mrs. Norman Beale of Toronto. Mrs. Beale entertained at tea for Mrs. Macdonald on Saturday last and wore a becoming gown of pink Georgette crepe and satin, with a corsage bouquet of sweet peas. Mrs. Macdonald wore a French dress of pale green and pink with Honiton lace, a knot of pink and tea roses and diamond and pearl ornaments. Mrs. Hookway, in white net and lace, helped her sister do the honors, and Mrs. Charles Wingard, wearing a handsome black gown, with white fox furs, poured tea at the polished table, which was made very attractive with Cluny lace, golden "mums" and pink snapdragons. The guests included Mrs. Macdonald's sister-authoress, Mrs. Jean Blewett



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and Miss Marshall Saunders. Mrs. Macdonald was warmly congratulated on the success of her latest book "Rainbow Valley."
The Odd Fellows had a social gathering early in the week to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of St. Lawrence Lodge. A number of visitors attended from other Lodges throughout the Island and a successful social affair resulted.
Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Malcom of Large, Ayrshire, Scotland have arrived on a visit to their son Mr. J. H. Malcom and Mrs. Malcom and a hearty welcome to the Garden Province is extended.

VICTORY LOAN 1919
WILL YOU ALSO SERVE
The war for supremacy between the narrow and the flaring skirts goes merrily on, and from present indications each will ultimately be able to proclaim peace with victory. As the winter social season approaches, the flaring skirt that is wired or otherwise reinforced so that it flares smartly about the figure is increasing in evidence. This silhouette, of course, is confined to frocks for afternoon or evening wear. Street apparel adheres to the straight line. Evening gowns are riots of color. The wide skirt, whether of sheer material or fabric designed for street wear, belongs to the woman of slender figure and preferably to the very young woman. An interesting development in street frocks is the model with upper part made of some bright silk, while the lower part of the dress is of dark serge, tricotine, or other wool fabric. This fancy for fabric and color combination is always a boon to the home dressmaker, particularly so in the present period of high-priced fabrics. The woman who would be well dressed this season, unless she has unlimited funds at her disposal, must give the study of dress careful attention and buy wisely.
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