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Empire Defence Indorsed

Prime Minister Lyons victory at the Australian polls is a triumph for his Empire Co-operation policy, including defence as well as Imperial trade treaties. There is no dispute in Australia over the necessity of increasing the capacity of the Commonwealth to defend itself against attack.

Hospital Standardization

Official announcement of the 1937 list of approved hospitals was made yesterday at Chicago at the 20th annual Hospital Standardization Conference of the American College of Surgeons. Again this year, it is pleasing to note, the Charlottetown Hospital, Prince Edward Island Hospital, Provincial Sanatorium and Prince County Hospital are included in the list.

U.S. Trade Anomaly

An interesting article appears in the Washington Post on the subject of United States trade expansion. Particularly interesting is the fact brought out in the article, that there is no basis for attempts frequently made to link the changing trade trends with the reductions in U. S. tariff duties under the reciprocal trade agreements with Canada and other countries.

ally our import trade.

From the foregoing facts it will be seen how misleading is the boast, frequently made by Liberal politicians in this country, that the agreement signed by Premier King at Washington was responsible for the recent trade expansion between the two countries.

West Indies Trade

Regret is being expressed in several quarters at the reported postponement of a Canadian commercial mission to the West Indies. The Ottawa Journal commented as follows: "Many Canadians will note with regret that the mission to the British West Indies of Mr. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce, and Mr. Howe, Minister of Transport, has been postponed indefinitely."

Editorial Notes

Danton, French revolutionist, born this date, 1759. This is Fish Week, tomorrow National Fish Day. Prime Minister King has evidently taken fright at the large and enthusiastic organization convention of Prince Edward Island Conservatives, which has proved contagious throughout Canada, and is setting his house in order to challenge a conflict before the opposition gets too well consolidated.

"Pleasure Cruise" is the title of a musical comedy which will be produced by Mr. Harry Gomez at the Strand Theatre on November 1 and 2. The entertainment, which will be for the benefit of crippled children, promises to be of exceptional interest.

Serious law breaking spreading from city and town to the country calls for more determined action by the Campbell Government and city administration. The winking at or condonation of law breaking so conclusively proved by Mr. Campbell's investigation of his own administration, cannot fail but have a calamitous effect on respect for law observance generally.

Recently at the eastern conference of the Methodist Church in America the Rev. Frank E. Gablein, headmaster of a boys' school on Long Island, reported that replies to a questionnaire had shown that out of 55,000 children attending school classes in New York, more than 16,000 never heard of the Ten Commandments.

NOTE BY THE WAY

In England, according to press reports, they are beginning to take steps to slow down the boom which has resulted from a variety of causes, the rearmament program among them. It is pointed out that if the arms program proceeds along the lines of the present plan, an additional half million men will be put to work, but the experts expect that this condition will last for only three or four years and then will come the problem of readjustment.

The returns of the election which were being announced over the radio among the night and all been previously collected from the polling places in the province by the Canadian Press. That is, by newspaper workers. The radio stations have no facilities for collecting news over such an area; the news-writers get the entire cost of collecting all the returns and of sending them to the hear office of Canadian Press, and then gave the service which the radio used to be in charge for it.

More than 25 new rural schools have been established in the Abitibi country, and the government is planning for 75 more of the region keeps on at that rate, Abitibi should shortly have its college.

Some years ago a party plucked on the slopes of Helvellyn, Eng and's highest mountain. In a thoughtless way they strewed the cartons and wrappers and a beautiful spot. An old Quaker quietly rose, gathered all the litter and placed it under a rock, from whence it was invisible. The party saw or felt the delicate proof and seemed to ask more from the fine old gentleman who responded: "It is to leave Nature as God intended."

Officers against the law do not seem to realize that the hand of every decent citizen is against them. Thus on Saturday, following the robbery of the bank, a woman telephoned the Hamilton police description of the robbers and in a few minutes by radio and telephone a cordon was drawn around the roads in that part of Ontario. The criminal hasn't much chance nowadays to make a getaway when the forces of the law are arrayed against him.

Difference between Britain, France and the democracies of Europe, on the one hand, and the dictatorships on the other, is that the former are impressed, as Sir Archibald has observed, "with their responsibilities towards Europe." Others are only impressed with their own countries' gains.

Where do we go from here. Some would have us play "Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary" and make faces at Mother Britannia merely to show that Canada is a grown-up, independent girl. Others, with more realism, see that good sense no less than sentiment requires that we cooperate with Great Britain and the Commonwealth. And the overwhelming majority of Canadians, French-speaking or English-speaking, desire that co-operation within the free institutions of the Empire.

"The earth is degenerating in these latter days. Liberty and virtue are on the wane. The children no longer obey their parents. Every man wants to write a book, and it is evident that the end of the world is approaching." Taken from an Assyrian tablet dated 2800 B. C. in "World-Education," May, 1937.

When the German crews of the Kaiser's surrendered high seas fleet scuttled the vessels in Scapa Flow on June 21, 1919, the war to make the world safe for democracy, the war to end war, had been seven months. The dramatic destruction of the ships was merely an incident of the mopping up process. In due time the salvors went to work on the hulks. A fortnight ago the London Times reported that the value of the scrap they were sending to Boney's Dockyard in the week of July 27, was \$25,000.

He was welcomed here in his earlier years—only he himself knows whether they should also be called his happier years. Some of the admiration with which he was then received was no credit to our supposedly democratic society and some of the curiosity which greeted himself and his duchess if he returns again will be no credit to us, either. Yet there is no doubt that he was genuinely popular here, not only enough for some of the qualities which were so timely to cost him his throne. He proved to be

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

LIBERAL PARTY PATRONAGE

Sir—A correspondent in the Patriot seeks to whitewash the notorious Liberal Party patronage abuses by insinuating that the Conservatives were guilty of the same practice. He asks: "How many Liberals were given jobs on the new College, on the Asylum on the Drill Shed, on the work of removing clay from the Exhibition grounds, or the Rifle Butts seawall or on the Borden-Charlottetown highway?"

The answer is, very many indeed. Employment was given under the Conservatives regardless of party affiliations. I am sure Mr. Peter Sinclair, M. P., will corroborate this statement, for Mr. Sinclair himself was given employment under the Conservatives, as a time-keeper on the Prince of Wales College construction job. He was represented at that time as being in need of employment, and no question was raised as to his party politics.

Another well-known Liberal employed on the same job by the Conservatives was Mr. A. T. MacKinnon. The Patriot correspondent is particularly unfortunate in citing the Exhibition grounds project, because every man in the city with a horse and cart, who needed the work, was employed on that job, and neither his political nor his religious affiliations were even inquired into.

All through the Conservative regime, every effort was made to distribute work fairly and impartially. With this object in view, a committee was appointed, consisting of responsible men of both parties, to recommend appointments. The Liberal representatives on this committee were Messrs. D. J. Riley and Eddie Nicholson. Moreover, this committee worked in close cooperation with the Laborers' Protective Union and the Canadian Legion, both of which organizations were asked to submit lists of names of their members who were in need of work.

Where it was impossible to give steady work to all, the Conservative system was to give at least part-time employment, and this system was followed in strict accordance with the Dominion regulations. The change that has taken place under Liberal rule is known to everyone who has sought government employment in the last two years. In some cases the contractors have frankly admitted that their instructions were to employ only "good Liberals." In all cases that seems to be the policy pursued.

It is indeed high time that Hon. Mr. Bennett called for a "show-down" on this question in Parliament. I am, Sir, etc. ANOTHER CITIZEN.

Ominous Politeness

(Montreal Daily Star) Neville Chamberlain seems to be the politest Premier Great Britain ever had nor sooner had he got into office than he sent off a most friendly letter to Signor Mussolini, assuring that bustling re-arrangement of all the Caesars that the British hold him in the highest regard. —as, indeed, they probably do. This was a most unusual overture from a traditionally brusque John Bull, and the suave Italian reply was piracy in the Mediterranean. For a time, there was a ruffe of resentment in London, and the British foot was put down at Nyon.

This was a touch of Palmerston, and the effect was electric. The holes they did not even get to deliver the mythical message to a British destroyer. But Italy soon recovered her old pleasing truculence. She landed new battalions under the shadow of Gibraltar and rebuffed an Anglo-French invitation to a Three-Power conference on Spain. Then, to make her point plain, she assembled another army division to strengthen her forces in Libya, and within easy distance of the resentful Arab population of Palestine.

But none of this could choke the unflinching fountain of friendliness that wells up in the breast of the British Prime Minister. Whoever said that Neville Chamberlain was "cold"? That could only have been to his friends and supporters. Every speech he makes contains an indirect assurance to Italy—and all ill-wishers—the door of welcome is always open and that "we have the storied memory for quarrels of any nation in history." Still, if these nations that are thwarting British policy, finging mud in the face of British prestige all round the world, strangling British trade and wantonly destroying British property—if these are not too sensitive nations still have ears sensitive to undertones, they might pay heed to that already, throbbing beat of steel on steel they can hear, day and night, from the British Isles. It comes from the armament factories and foundries and shipyards. There may be a polite gentleman, at the front door, anxiously patient, full of forgiveness, "but, oh! beware my country when my country grows polite."

Powers of Lieutenant Governor

(R. A. Reid, K.C., D.C.L., in the Toronto Globe and Mail)

His Constitutional Rights.

Volume of Appeal cases for the year 1919, page 935, to evade, override and strip the Lieutenant-Governor's constitutional powers and authority, in relation to some proposed provincial legislation. It was decided that it could not be done.

Here then, is a clear case decided by the highest tribunal in the Empire, which settles the constitutional law and reaffirms the old principle that, where any interference with the Lieutenant-Governor is attempted, when engaged in the discharge of his constitutional duties and the exercise of his prerogatives and powers, it will be frowned upon the declared beyond the powers of the Provincial Government and Legislature, particularly any interference with his constitutional rights to veto legislation, or to refuse to give his assent to or sign acts or bills passed by the Legislature, or improper Orders-in-Council, or to reserve bills for the consideration of the Governor-General-in-Canada at Ottawa.

Now, in the present Alberta dispute the Lieutenant-Governor has neither assented to the three bills held up nor has he refused to assent to or sign them; he has simply exercised his third power in this matter and reserved them for the consideration of the Governor-General. Had he refused to assent to them and told his Ministers that was his decision when they were presented to him for his signature he might have brought on a constitutional crisis, resulting, perhaps, in the dismissal of his Ministers by the Lieutenant-Governor and the holding of a general election. But this serious situation was avoided.

Reservation Not Unusual.

As a matter of recorded fact, the reservation of bills by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Canada is not an unusual or rare occurrence. Since Confederation there have been sixty bills or more from the different Provinces reserved for many reasons, just as the Alberta bills were recently, and as late as 1915 the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia reserved a Provincial act for the pleasure of the Governor-General on the ground that it affected aliens in the Province. Numbers of these reserved bills finally went into operation while others were amended as required by the Dominion authorities, and in any case where the Dominion demands were not met or proper safeguards provided the bills died a constitutional death.

The Lieutenant-Governor of any Province in Canada performs and exercises very useful and important functions of government: constitutional development and system; he is an integral and important part of the constitutional machinery of responsible government. No Provincial Government can function under the British North American Act without the Lieutenant-Governor, as section 56 of the British North American Act says: "For each Province there shall be an officer styled Lieutenant-Governor, appointed by the Governor-General-in-Council by instrument under the Great Seal of Canada."

Lieutenant-Governor's Position

There is a great deal of misconception and misunderstanding abroad regarding the Lieutenant-Governor, his official duties, functions, rights, powers, jurisdiction, privileges and authority. He bears the same constitutional relation to the Sovereign King George VI, concerning Provincial Government affairs, that the Governor-General at Ottawa does regarding the Dominion Government. He is neither a delegate of the Governor-General, nor of the Dominion Government. He is the representative of the King in each Province of Canada and, to the full extent of provincial jurisdiction, he is clothed with all the powers, privileges and authority that could and might be exercised, when necessary, by His Majesty the King, within the Province of Alberta under the R.N.A. Act.

That was settled by a decision of the Privy Council in England, as long ago as 1892, and there are some decisions even earlier deciding the same thing. In the volume of Privy Council cases for 1892, at page 443, their Lordships decided that "a Lieutenant-Governor, when appointed, and during his term of office, is the full representative of the Crown, endowed with all the necessary powers for carrying on the Government of his Province, and is as much the representative of His Majesty for all purposes of the Provincial Government as for all purposes of Dominion Government."

And again, as recently as 1919, an attempt was made by the Legislature of Manitoba, in what is known as the Manitoba Referendum Case, decided by the Privy Council in the

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tering and stammering are often used in meaning the same thing, stuttering really stands for labored, difficult, hesitant speech which interferes with the conversation, while stammering refers to defects in the way words are pronounced. In other words stammering depends on defective performance (in talking), stuttering depends on emotional disturbances. This strict distinction is not observed by many physicians.

In an address read before the Brooklyn Academy of Pediatrics (children's diseases), Dr. Greene stated: "It has long been an acknowledged fact that a general predisposition toward emotional instability can be traced in the stutty type of child or adult. A study of over 1000 patients who were treated in the National Hospital for Speech Disorders during the year 1935 showed that 40 per cent had stutters in their immediate family. Over 50 per cent gave a definite history of emotional instability in the family. A child of inherited stuttering as such, but belongs to the stutty type and inherits nervous or emotional defects or conditions which predispose him a hesitating speech—stuttering."

On examining the hands of a stutty when he is trying to talk, they will be found to be wet with perspiration, showing the severe internal (nervous) upsetment present. If parents, teachers, in fact all of us, realized the intense nervous struggle going on when the stutty tries to speak we could help by being sympathetic, patient, and making the stutty feel more "at home" with us.

That Body of Yours

STUTTERING IS SIMPLY AN EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE. It seems but a short time ago that in cases of stuttering there was supposed to be something wrong with the patient's tongue, throat, or the speech centre in the brain. In fact pieces of apparatus to make the voice clearer or to develop the breathing were often used.

To-day it is known that in the vast majority of cases, stuttering is not due to any defect in the tongue, nose, throat or the speech centre, but to nervousness or emotional disturbances. A child or adult who stutters simply shows that he is nervous, upset, unstrung, or self-conscious, just as another individual by his evasiveness of speech and lack of self-consciousness would show that he was not of the nervous or emotional type or at least had complete control of his muscular and nervous actions or reactions. Dr. James Sonnett Greene, Medical Director, National Hospital for Speech Disorders, New York, tells us that while the names stut-

The Poet's Corner

AN AUTUMN SONG. There is something in the autumn that is native to my blood— Touch of manner, hint of mood; And my heart is like a rhyme, With the yellow and the purple and the crimson keeping time. The scarlet of the maples east shake me like a cry Of bugles going by. And my lonely spirit thrills To see the frosty asters like a show that he was not of the nervous or emotional type or at least had complete control of his muscular and nervous actions or reactions.

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