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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink."

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Civic Finances

Of special interest at last night's annual meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade was the comprehensive report on civic finances submitted by a special committee under the chairmanship of Mr. J. P. Gordon.

Neither the present City Council nor former Councils are criticised for conditions which, the report suggests, are probably due to economic and business conditions beyond their control.

Our Clay And Shale Resources

The prospects for greatly increasing the Island's production of fruits and berries by means of irrigation were discussed by Premier Jones in a recent address.

Much of the Island, the report notes, is covered with soil deposited under marine conditions when the Province was overlain by the ocean or impounded glacial waters.

Boulders, clay, also of common occurrence, is red like marina clay and frequently very sandy.

The principal exposures of shale were found in the coastal cliffs, particularly along the Northumberland Strait side of the Island.

Very few of the deposits were found to have had sufficient work done on them to determine the quantity of clay or shale available for brickmaking or other purposes.

In brief the report stresses that old plants utilized surface clay from small deposits and, if a proved deposit of shale could be found, a more uniform and better product could be obtained.

Incidentally it is noted that there are good clay beds about 2 feet thick overlain by a thin sandy surface soil, just a mile and a half north of Charlottetown.

able for the manufacture of clay products, but as the deposit is under the land of the Dominion Experimental Farm it would not be available for commercial exploitation.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Battle of Corunna, Spain, fought this date, 1809, when Sir John Moore, after defeating the French, died of his wounds and was buried on the battle field.

The Grand Jury, in the words of the Mayor of New York, "said a mouthful" in its report to the Supreme Court on Falconwood Hospital.

The year 1947 will prove a "record shattering year" for drugs and medical supplies, Modern Medicine believes.

Figures recently released reveal that more than 800 buildings and five major training and staging camps, involving upwards of 600 additional units have been declared surplus in the Nova Scotia area to the 15th October, last year.

It is informative to realize that the Premiers the Federal Government have been "fixing up" are not Conservative—"not a cent to a Tory Government" being formerly the Prime Minister's slogan.

It is now found not only to be feasible but much cheaper to bring western grain direct to Charlottetown than via Montreal.

Ottawa is getting its signals mixed over price control removal publicity. The Ottawa story is that price control is really quite popular, which is absolutely true, as affecting those who buy any particular item of goods.

C.B.C. National News Bulletin, January 1st, celebrated the New Year by announcing that we are all now Canadian citizens, and that the clause in the Act which says that we are British subjects was only put in to get over some legal technicalities.

Here is Premier Duplessis' reaction. "The spirit and essence of Confederation is co-operation and collaboration properly understood.

Catherine II, who ruled Russia, nearly 200 years ago, was a famous party giver, and she made her own rules, says The Woman Magazine.

Notes By The Way

Dr. Jean Fleard will go skyfaring again, floated by a net enclosing 100 balloons. It sounds like the dream of a boy with a new air-gun.—Toronto Star.

Lions in the United States have elected their new champion, Sluicks, we have lots of friends who could leave him at the post, without even trying.—Windsor Star.

"It is almost enough to upset a person's patriotism to see beautiful timber masticated into newspaper" said E. E. Johnson at Toronto.

Still another fire has been explained away with convenient theories that it was caused by mice gnawing matches. Such an explanation has surface plausibility, but it lacks scientific backing.

Casual visitors are not the only ones who sometimes forget that the foundation stock of Canada and the United States is not the same.

A former Wren, who since discharge has boosted her earnings to \$10 an hour, has her heart set on a \$50-an-hour job.

"Atomic piles" being built up in Harwell, England, will produce electricity for treatment of cancer.

The use of domestic elks as a substitute for horses is being seriously considered in Moscow as a result of successful experiments in harnessing these powerful beasts.

All his life Mr. King has kept his connection with his church, the Presbyterian Church, and is found each Sunday in his place at the services.

PERCY G. SAUNDERS, Manager, Sunshine Island Dairy

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For Foot Ailments CONSULT N. J. A. BROWN, D.P. Orthopedic Podiatrist

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion of current events and the opinions of correspondents.

MILK PRICES

Sir,—As a processor of milk, I take exception to some of the statements "Another Consumer" has made.

Now, to mention the cheese question again. How many of our children would care to eat cheese three times a day, instead of drinking 3 glasses of milk or 4 or 5 whatever the case may be?

Canada's National Emblem (Torch)

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A Graham Bell Stamp

(Sydney Post-Record) There is particular interest in Cape Breton, and especially in Baddeck where the late Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone...

The Graham Bell stamp will be of the same size as the regular four-cent stamp, will be red in color, and will carry the name "Alexander Graham Bell" as well as the centenary dates 1847-1947.

As has been noted, Alexander Graham Bell was born in Edinburgh on March 3, 1847. Coming to Canada in 1870, he lived in Brantford, Ontario, for a short time with his parents, but moved subsequently to the United States.

In his later years Alexander Graham Bell lived in the Maritimes. His permanent residence, at Baddeck, was there that he carried on his early experiments in aviation, and it was there in collaboration with F. V. Coville, another inventor, that he made his first successful attempt at an airplane flying in the British Empire.

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REVELLE

Wake: the silver dusk returning Up the beach of darkness brims. Form the ship of sunrise burning Strands upon the eastern rims.

Wake: the vaulted shadow shatters, Trampled to the floor it spatters, And the tent of night in letters Straws the sky-pavilioned land.

Clay lies still, but blood's a rover; Breath's a ware that will not keep. Up, lad, when the journey's over There'll be time enough to sleep.

Old Charlottetown (And P.E.I.)

FREE MEDICAL SERVICE

The following advertisement appeared in the Royal Gazette of May 16, 1831:

"Mr. MacKieson begs leave to acquaint the inhabitants of this Island that he has removed from his residence to that lately occupied by the Honourable Chief Justice Jarvis where he continues the practice of his profession.

Numerous songs and poems have been written about it, notable among them being "The Maple Leaf Forever" by Alexander Muir.

It is hard to discover just why the maple leaf found favour as a national emblem among early Canadians, but one reason may have been that the tree is found in such abundance in the mountain, sugar, and red, are widely distributed from the Atlantic to Manitoba, and two others, the broad leaf and the vine, are found in British Columbia.

OVERCOOKED FOODS

Faulty cooking can rob foods, particularly vegetables, of their health value. National Health Officers at Ottawa urge cooking of potatoes, for instance, in their skins.

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