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CIRCULATION "Covers Prince Edward Island like the dew" "The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink"

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Dairy Amalgamation

The practical boundaries of milk and cream collecting areas have been vastly extended in recent years and there is no doubt but that a handful of dairies could receive supplies from every part of the Province.

From the standpoint of operation the larger units would have notable advantages. After the initial investment in plant there would be lower costs of maintenance, smaller staff in relation to production, and a greater chance of keeping competent management.

The need for thorough reorganization in the processing and marketing of dairy products was strongly emphasized by Mr. W. R. Shaw, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, in an article appearing in The Guardian recently.

Population

Not many people today accept as inevitable the proposition of Malthus that population increases are bound to keep pace with food supplies and that the world will always face the spectre of starvation.

This situation will certainly call for more intensive utilization of land. For many years there has been a trend away from the farm to the city, partly because of the attractions of urban life, but chiefly because of the inadequate financial rewards to the farmer.

Up Diplomatic 'Queer Street'

External Affairs Minister Pearson says it is desirable for nations to pool their sovereignty in the interests of security and possibly survival. Mr. Pearson's views on this matter were voiced in the course of debate in the House of Commons on a resolution introduced by Mr. Alistair Stewart, CCF member for Winnipeg North, urging acceptance of any invitation to meet with parliamentary representatives of North Atlantic countries to discuss such a union.

The curious thing about this and other endeavours to create in rigid political and constitutional form, a North Atlantic Community is that the advocates of such a scheme seem to forget that Canada is already a partner in that great association of free nations once known as the British Empire and today referred to in rather condescending terms as "The Commonwealth."

our Sovereign the Queen? Will Canadians, as citizens of one of the richer areas of the new Pax Americana, be taxed to pay old age pensions and the baby bonus to the poorer Portuguese? How long will it take the people of the Maritimes, whose recollections of 1867 still cause them at times to refer to folks from Ontario as "Upper Canadians" take to assimilate the "Lower Slobbovians" into the new constitutional structure?

The pity of it is that Cabinet Ministers choose to waste time and words on a proposal which, in the present state of world affairs, is little more than piffle.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The only one of Canada's 10 largest cities which has more males than females is Windsor, Ontario, by a slight majority.

The Cunard liner "Lusitania" was torpedoed and sunk without warning by a German submarine this date 1915. Of 1255 passengers and 651 crew bound from New York to Liverpool 1198 lost their lives.

The announcement by the Government of the removal of the restrictions on credit has been received with great enthusiasm in business circles. It was long hoped for but came unexpectedly Monday.

The Queen sees Canadian swans: The Queen saw the five trumpeter swans presented to her at Charlottetown during her tour of Canada last winter when, with the Duke of Edinburgh, she visited the Severn Wild Fowl Trust's sanctuary at Slimbridge, Gloucestershire, recently.

New Road Traffic Convention: Britain, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, are expected shortly to pass the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Bill, ratifying the United Nations Convention on Road Traffic, 1949, which aims to permit motor tourists to travel in most countries on their own registration numbers and national identification plaques.

Restrictions on foreign sales of Canadian meat are growing in number as word of the foot and mouth disease epidemic has spread. Latest importer to take action has been Barbados, according to the Trade Department. Imports of pickled pork from Canada have been banned unless they are accompanied by a government certificate stating that the meat has not originated or been packed within a radius of 100 miles of the infected area.

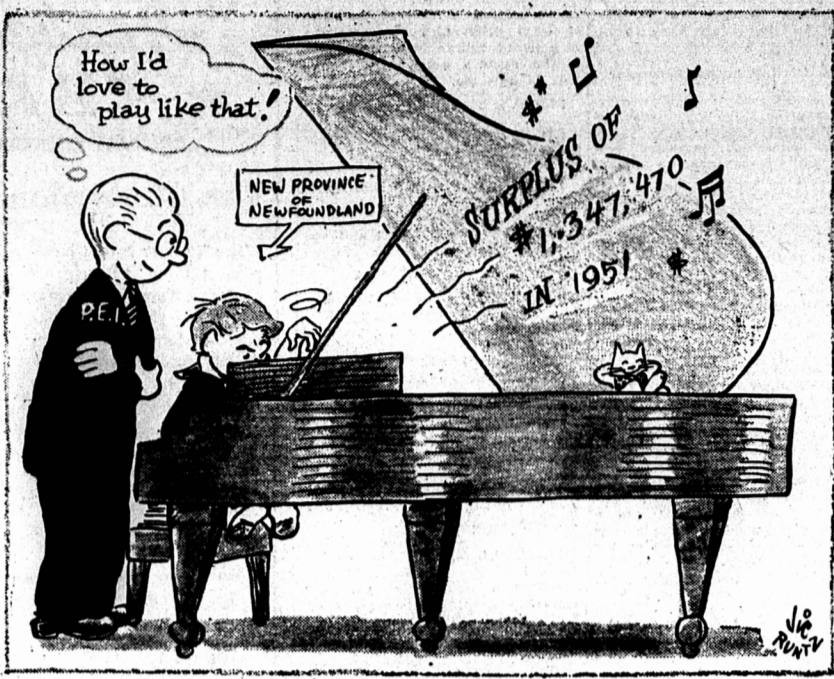
Heard in the Commons:—Mr. Herridge: I happened to be walking down Broadway at 7 o'clock in the morning. Mr. Sinclair: Just getting home? Mr. H.: I got up early, Mr. Speaker, I am an early riser. I was walking down Broadway—An hon. member: No excuses! Mr. H.:—and it surprised me to find that at a theatre where they were showing "Royal Journey" there was a lineup three blocks long for a show commencing at 9 o'clock.

Plans for this year's British Industries Fair include a special Commonwealth Trade Day on Wednesday, May 14, designed to interest visiting buyers as well as members of the public in the achievements and products of Commonwealth countries. To mark the day a number of ceremonies are being arranged, among them a tour of the Commonwealth Section by the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Leslie Boyce (who is an Australian) in company with the High Commissioners of the Commonwealth countries. Many stands plan special displays for the occasion.

The British Central Health Services Council, a commission appointed to review the work of the national health scheme, complains in its annual report that too many women are going into hospitals to have their children. "In most areas the hospital beds available do not satisfy the demand," it said. Nearly 60 per cent of British mothers receive free hospital treatment during child-birth. Alternatively they may have the baby at home and get free attention from a doctor and a mid-wife. Most British doctors still favor confinement in the home, where conditions are favorable.

Sir Thomas Dugdale, British Agriculture Minister, says that about half Britain's manufactured exports are needed to pay for food bought overseas. "Even if the food in the world market were available," he declares, "we could not afford at the moment to import more." Sir Thomas was addressing a meeting of farmers on the need for increased home food production. "The only remaining source of large-scale imports into this country are the countries to whom we have to pay dollars," he added. "But when we think of dollars we must not think of agriculture alone but of the great overall problem. There is a limit to the dollars we can spend on food and feeding stuffs."

Some Are Gifted



PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

POLICE STATIONS

The writer is indebted to Mr. Louis Stewart for the following item taken from the scrap book of the late Fire Chief A. N. Lige, which is dated 22nd July, 1883: "Alarm sounded Sunday evening at the hour of 9 p. m. for a fire at the corner of Queen and Grafton Streets. A very destructive conflagration, buildings reduced to ashes in a very short time, consisting of spacious premises owned by Miss Jennie McGill and occupied by John D. MacLeod as a grocery and warehouse (insured). The office of D. MacKinnon (no insurance). The Depot of the Police Station (no insurance). Great exertions were used to stop the flames and burning cinders from crossing the street toward the Apothecaries Hall. The Brigade had a hard fight with the fire to keep it from spreading and were in their efforts a very successful in their efforts. An inquiry of the origin of this disastrous fire was made and an investigation was made by the active Stipendiary Magistrate. The fire ignited behind the ice house of Wm. Kennedy at the J. D. MacLeod's and Dr. Jenkins, several witnesses examined closely before the court on two or three adjournments. A vagrant known as Johnny Hatch was one of the parties implicated. The witnesses being youthful, their testimony being considered insufficient to put the scamp on trial."

AN IDEAL MOTHER Sir,—In the very long ago a mother testified: "For this child I prayed and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of Him." The cruel belief of that age was that because Hannah had no children she was under the curse of God, which indeed it was. What a wonderful thing it would be if parents would accept their children as gifts from God, entrusted to them to be nurtured for Him and trained up for His service, in whatever field they seemed best fitted to serve. It would give parents a motive in all their plans and work for their children; and instead of carrying the burden, a heavy one, of their children's welfare they would entrust them to God's wisdom and power to keep. Parents often look into the future with trepidation. So many things can happen. In these reckless days there is the drink danger; and there goes with that the doubtful companionship. The ideals children carry out from the home will greatly influence their choice of a life partner, which choice will greatly determine their whole future. A young man told me: "I am seeking a wife who will be like my mother," and I can say that that is the kind of woman he got.

Then, again, Hannah dedicated her child to the service of God. It meant a severe sacrifice, a life-long separation, except a brief visit once a year. But that was her expression of gratitude to God for His gift to her. It reminds one of Neil and Agnes Livingstone, who, when their son David was born dedicated him to the service of God wherever he might be called to serve; and not until he was chosen to go to Africa, did they tell him of their dedication. Is it any wonder that the son of such parents turned out to be one of the greatest men of the 19th century? Hannah was a noble soul, and Elkanah her husband seems to have been an exceptionally fine father. Their son turned out to be one of the great prophet-statesmen of the Old Testament. We can trace in him the heritage that

Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.) FOR AUSTRALIA The newspapers took little note of migrations from this Colony in early times, being more concerned with heralding the influx of new settlers. It is therefore difficult to ascertain whether an advertisement which appeared locally in the month of February, 1853, had any concrete results. Signed by Mr. O. Curtis, secretary of the "Committee of Management of the Emigration Company of Prince Edward Island," it announced that an agreement had been concluded with an able and experienced ship-builder, Mr. Francis Auld, of Rustico, for the construction of "a good, substantial and sufficient vessel, of about 200 tons burthen, to be launched on or before the 1st of Sept. 1853, which vessel, it is calculated, will be ready to sail from P. E. Island for a Port of Australia, on or before the 1st Oct. 1853." The advertisement concluded with the intimation that "all the shares of the Company not having been subscribed for, or taken up, etc., copies of the articles of agreement may be seen with Mr. Wm. McKay, of Cavendish, and Mr. O. Curtis, of Curdsville and Charlottetown.

The Age-Old Story

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, and I will praise the Lord. Store, and was, the writer believes, used as a Police Station until the present City Hall and Police Station was erected—the cornerstone of which was laid on 1st July, 1887, and occupied the following year. During alterations only a few years ago in Worthy's Drugstore, the old cell door with iron bars along with the cell walls filled with tanbark were removed—the tanbark no doubt was used to deaden certain unseemly sounds, which at times are heard from unwilling guests. I am, Sir, etc. T. E. M. Charlottetown

No More Free Wigs

(Globe and Mail) The British Parliament has solemnly voted, by a majority of 292 to 271, that henceforth any one who wants a wig from the National Health Service will have to pay £2 10s. for it, or about \$7.50. Up till now, under the benevolent scheme inaugurated by Mr. Anselm Bevan, wigs were free. The wonder of the thing surely is that any one should ever have believed, or that 272 British MPs should still believe, that it is the duty of the state to provide a bald man with false hair. Free spectacles or free dentures may be understandable. A man minus teeth or unable to read print with the naked eye may be handicapped in getting or holding a job; yet he may not have the funds to buy the artificial aids he needs. It may be just arguable that the community, in a sad case like this, owes the unfortunate citizen a pair of glasses or a set of china choppers. But a wig? Since when has baldness, in itself, put a man in the unemployable class? It appears to be true, judging by the advertisement columns, that some people find baldness a handicap. It can make a man look older than he is and that may be bad for his business. But he can suffer in the same way if worry or a disolute life wrinkles his countenance. Does the state owe every one a periodic face lift? Perhaps baldness may be a drawback in love—though the poet d'Annunzio did not find it so. But a man may be thwarted in courtship by his lack of a guitar or a sports convertible or the price of a bunch of daffodils. Should the community supply him with these aids to wooing? When thought about, the idea that the state should buy wigs for the bald is as hilarious as anything in Gilbert and Sullivan.

came from his mother. In his deeply religious nature, his loyalty to God and his cause. For over sixty years he was the judge and ruler of Israel, a man who left the deep impress of his consecrated life from the history of his people. "What I am I owe largely to my mother," is the testimony of many of the world's great men, such as Augustine, Wesley and Sir Walter Scott. If the boys and girls of the world had mothers like Hannah there would be no delinquency problem, nor would there be a drink problem either. As King George V said "the safety of the nation depends upon the home."

I am, Sir, etc. W. I. GREEN. Stanley Bridge. DEEP WATERS Lake Nipigon in the Thunder Bay district of Ontario is more than 540 feet deep in places.

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Notes By The Way

A trade publication says it is reliably reported that some companies are ready to introduce a collar material that will outwear the body of the shirt? And not shrink? Or lose its buttons? Or turn up at the tips? But perhaps we ask too much. — Cornwall Standard-Freeholder.

Plans to give visiting motorists "courtesy tickets" for parking violations is an innovation for Windsor, but a good one. It will help spread the reputation this city has for being friendly. The information and advice contained on the tickets in most cases will be appreciated and should eliminate repeat performances. Windsor won't lose much in parking revenues. In a large proportion of cases, the visitors pay no attention to regular parking tickets anyway. That is especially true if they don't expect to come to Windsor again, and parking tickets are a vexation which helps keep motorists away from communities where they receive them. More tourists enter Canada via Windsor than at any other border point. The parking courtesy extended to them will be good public relations for Windsor and for Canada generally. We like people to come to Windsor and to stop here. These "courtesy cards" will be one way of showing that attitude. — Windsor Daily Star.

A Canadian Press dispatch records that a Toronto angler fishing in the Rouge River caught "a thing" with purple ears and a blue tail. It was 14 inches long, eight away we have the suggestion that Toronto is setting up in the monster business and the impertinent inference that Victoria's Caddy had better look to his (or her) laurels. The Oganagan's Ogoopgo was not even mentioned. They call this thing "Jenny The Lizard." To discuss a 14-inch fingering in the same dispatch with the magnificent proportions which witnesses attributed to Caddy, good old Caddy with his head like a horse, its whiskers (some of them as long as this thing out of the Rouge) and its vast length, is absurd and grotesque. Imagine trying to sell a 14-inch monster to a fellow from Kelowna! Up there they would laugh until the brown hills echoed. In the Ogoopgo country a monster has to be as long as the Canadian Pacific car barge to get a nod. Monster fishing on this side of the Rockies is not a matter of coming home with the monster home with you—lunch, beer, boat and all. Jenny The Lizard! Out here we throw that kind back. — Vancouver Province.

The Poets Corner

RINGSIDE SEAT IN A GARDEN Fert sparrows flock to the bird pool's brink For a morning bath and a cooling drink, Giving a casual, friendly stare To their audience (me) in my long wheel-chair. They dip and preen and dip again— Suddenly fly to the hedges and then With a whirl of wings the robins dash To wet their feet and splurge and splash. Next; with a loud scream, raucous, zay, Warning all other birds away. The blue jay family arrive For their quite exclusive swim and dive. Late afternoons, two feathered friends, (Resembling a pair of black book-ends) Twin scackles, come and sit and sit— Apparently, just for the looks of it. And this goes on till day is done. Life out of doors is lots of fun: We spend our hours in the garden there— The birds and I, in my long wheel-chair. —Mazie V. Carruthers.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

Professional cards for Gaudet & Hazard, A. Walthen Gaudet, J. A. McGuigan, Palmer & Haslam, J. S. Taylor, Chas. R. McQuaid, J. A. Carruthers, Dr. W. R. Carson, Dr. A. L. MacIsaac, Allison M. Gillis, H. R. Boare and Company, McDonald & Joyal, MacPhee & Inanor, Bell, Mathieson & Foster, Byron J. Grant O.B., and others.