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

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Trouble in Korea

The invasion of Southern Korea by Northern Korean Communists appears to have come like a bolt from the blue, and constitutes a direct challenge to the United Nations.

There is little doubt but that the North Korean Communists are backed by Soviet Russia. The incident may well be a counter-move against the reversal of the current American policy of withholding aid from the Communist-menaced island of Formosa.

Cablegram Rates

Effective July 1st, reduced rates on radiograms and cablegrams to the United Kingdom and other overseas countries go into effect.

Under the new rate scales the "zone differential" system is done away in this country and the same rates apply to messages originating in any region of Canada.

Communications are probably the most vital single aspect of modern life and any step towards greater efficiency is a gain to all.

All Canada's international cable systems are now Government owned, through the Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation and Commercial and Anglo American Cables.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Welcome to Canadian scientific agriculturists.

Everybody seems happy with the brand of weather we are enjoying — sunshine and rain alternately.

Today is the official opening of the convention of the Agricultural Institute of Canada but many of the delegates probably feel that they have done about half their work already.

The Massacre of Cawnpore, this date 1857, the beginning of Britain's administration of India as part of her Eastern Empire.

The Canadian Authors' Association is holding its convention in Montreal begin-

ning today. An all too much neglected fraternity, Canada's authors should be encouraged to interpret this country to our own people and abroad, as well as determining the form in which we are to be represented to posterity.

Not altogether originally, but with records to prove it, a delegate to the recent medical convention finds a distinct connection between the personality of a car driver and the number of accidents in which he is involved.

Harriet Martineau, English writer, died this date 1876. She made her reputation by her "Illustrations of Political Economy."

The international situation in the Far East is confusing and conflicting. The Chinese Nationalists are warring on the British at Formosa, their planes sinking British ships by air bombs.

From Saturday, July 1, Federal Civil Servants here and elsewhere will work only five days a week. Under a re-arrangement of office hours during July and August, staff working hours will be lengthened three-quarters of an hour each day from Monday through Friday.

Nine years ago, on June 26, 1941, the Canadian Government formally announced its decision to give women their chance to serve in the Dominion's war machine.

Why the Queen's nephew is selling out. Three-quarters of the land and possessions of the Harewood family have to be handed over to Sir Stafford Cripps to cover death duties on the estate of the late earl, who left £549,000.

Hearty congratulations are being extended to Mr. Alfred Pickard on attaining his jubilee as a coal merchant.

Not a word of the discovery, that these queerly dressed beings were of the human genus, and had human rights, and human feelings and customs like the rest of the race, and that their rivers, islands and countries, as well as their children had proper names.

Sure-Fire Rainmaker



Old Charlottetown

(And P. E. I.)

INDIAN NAMES

A letter from the Rev. S. T. Rand, dated Hantsport, August 19, 1855, to the editor of Hazard's Gazette, who in an article on Southport had expressed the wish to know "what the native Indians call the pretty little creek around which they used to be so fond of camping."

"I am happy to be able to furnish you with this name, and I think it very euphonical. It is 'Adousak', pronounced 'Adoosahk'; the 'a' in the last syllable sounded as in 'father', and made very long. It means a 'square rock'."

"The name of your Harbour is more euphonical and appropriate still. I should vote for that (as a name for Southport), and would then pray, that the rising town might soon eclipse the old one, and that justice might restore the name which the once rightful owners of the Island gave it, a hundred years hence, by which it still is called and which cannot cease to be applied until the last Redman shall have ceased to be, or shall have become absorbed in the Anglo-Saxon tide. This name is 'Booksake', in the pronunciation of which there can be no difficulty to anyone that can pronounce the common English words 'book' and 'sake'."

"The name of your Island is 'Epaygwit'. It means 'lying on the water'. A log lying on the water is said to be 'agwite'. This is one of the many words in Micmac in which a little imagination enables one to trace a resemblance to the Latin and Greek. You would come sufficiently near the truth to call it 'agwite', and then you see the 'agw' without any trouble. It is a thousand pities this appropriate and ancient name had not been retained. Neither St. John nor Prince Edward Island has either sense or meaning in it as a name for Island."

"Alas! why did it not occur to the discoverers, that these queerly dressed beings were of the human genus, and had human rights, and human feelings and customs like the rest of the race, and that their rivers, islands and countries, as well as their children had proper names. The question would then probably have been asked, what call you this Island? and it would in that case possibly have been marked on the map 'Epaygwit'. But, on a subject so intensely interesting, I must forbear. I have a collection of some scores of Micmac names of places within the limits of 'Migumahke' or 'Micmac Island'. I may publish them one of these days."

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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.

PEN PALS IN AUSTRALIA

Sir.—Some time ago, there was published in your paper the name and address of a girl in Australia wishing for P. E. I. pen pals, so I took the pleasure of writing to her as did many others, and her response for pen friends became so great she published several names and addresses in their local paper there, and any wishing to write to Islanders could do so.

In all I received twenty letters from different people, mostly all married women living on large farms of 10,000 acres, and as many as 2,000 acres of wheat and oats planted. They also raise large numbers of sheep, several having as many as 1,000.

They write long, interesting letters and are especially interested in L.M. Montgomery's books. Many who have written tell me they have a lot of her wonderful books in their book cases.

Since writing to them I have received many papers and pictures of interesting places and things, and have also been told a lot of facts about their weather and seasons which are very opposite to ours, as they have their winters when we have summer, and several of the ladies told me they spent Christmas at the beach with a temperature of 105 degrees.

I am, Sir, etc. A. B. C. Freetown, P. E. I.

The Age-Old Story

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee; bind them about thy neck, write them upon the table of thy heart. So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

IN THE MIDST OF SUCCESS YOU MAY SUFFER DISASTER. Although you cannot stop the windstorm, or the lightning or the earthquake, or always the fire, you can erect an economic wall by means of Insurance. A lifetime of gathering and saving may disappear in a few minutes. Why take chances? The only sure safeguard is adequate Insurance including Supplemental Covers. Consult our Agents, or write or call on HYNDMAN & CO. LIMITED Insurance Since 1872. Our experience, of over three-quarters of a century, as Insurance Underwriters, is at your disposal. Offices: Charlottetown - Summerside - Montague Agents Throughout The Province. ALLISON P. McLEAN—District Manager at Summerside. CYRUS A. B. SHAW—District Manager at Montague.

The Poet's Corner

FROM: THE CHOKISTERS

The tiny warblers fill the summer trees With their exquisite bliss of litanies; The tanager in his scarlet coat In the hemlock pours from a vibrant throat His canticle of the sun. The loon on the lake, the hawk in the sky, And the sea-gull — each has a piercing cry. Like outposts set in the lonely vast, To cry "All's well!" as Time goes past.

And another hour is gone. But of all the music in God's plan Of a mystical symphony for man, I shall remember best of all— Whatever hereafter may befall Or pass and cease to be— The hermit's hymn in the solitudes Of twilight through the mountain woods, And the field-larks crying above our doors On the soft sweet wind across the moors At morning by the sea. —Bliss Carman.

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Notes By The Way — Citizens here realize that parking meters are a form of booby trap set by motorists to catch themselves breaking the parking regulations. —Lethbridge Herald. The man of the house, these days, has to be a combination auto mechanic, electrician and plumber to keep the upper hand in the streamlined appliances and gadgets of the home. And if he doesn't know what to do about them when they get out of kilter, he's likely to find them more time-consuming — more instruments of inconvenience than of comfort. In one Chicago school course, the superintendent proposes that children be taught the use of tools as a first step in learning to effect simple repairs around the house. Another department will enlighten them on plumbing. The general idea, says the superintendent, is to make the child's work around home more fun, an idea that will be welcomed as much by mother and dad as by the youngsters. —Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph.

Why OLD SHOES ARE THROWN AT THE BRIDAL PAIR. In ancient times the bride's father threw his shoe at the departing couple as a sign that he no longer was responsible for his daughter's keep. For many years it has been the custom for brides to choose their diamond rings here. And a very smart custom it is... a wise and thrifty choice. \$100 10-diamond bridal duet, typical of our diamond values! G. H. Taylor Jewellers For Four Generations

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