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The Honours Of Scotland

A sequel to the Coronation ceremony in London will be Her Majesty's state visit to Scotland, which will extend from June 23 to 29. The most important event of this visit will be when Her Majesty attends a national service in St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh.

The Ceremonial use of the Honours of Scotland is a rare occurrence. The last occasion was during the visit of King George IV to Edinburgh in 1822. When King Edward VII visited Edinburgh Castle in 1903, and again on the occasion of the visit of King George and Queen Mary in 1911, the regalia was inspected in the Banqueting Hall of Edinburgh Castle.

The "Honours Three" of Scotland are in the Crown Room in Edinburgh Castle, (with other pieces of Scotland's regalia) and each year they are seen by thousands of visitors. The Crown is ascribed to the reign of Robert the Bruce (1274-1329) out was remodelled in its present form by order of King James V in 1540.

The Marketing Board Ruling

The implications of the Supreme Court of Canada ruling in the P. E. Island Potato Marketing Board case are still a matter of lively controversy among lawyers. The latest commentary on the subject appears in a recent issue of the Canadian Bar Review.

Ireland announces that a coal mine in County Tipperary is to be handed over to private enterprise this week. The mine at present gives employment to 200 people and produces 600 tons of high quality anthracite each week. Sale price is given as £50,000.

British car sales to Canada in 1952, reduced in the first 6 months due to Canadian credit restrictions, made a good recovery in the second half-year, to reach a total of 21,330 worth about \$21 million for the year. 31,287 British cars were shipped to the U. S. A. in 1952.

Somehow in the midst of all the development of science and the labour saving devices being introduced in every industry, it never occurred to us that the picture of the old country farmer spading and drying his winter's supply of peat, would ever change.

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its authority. The delegation was, then, effective."

The result, Mr. Ballem concedes, "is consonant with both practical demands and sound legal theory. It introduces an element of much needed flexibility into Canadian legislation and allows the provinces and Dominion to work together and achieve greater legislative harmony. Its main legal tenet, that the provincial board may validly act as the 'agent' of the Dominion, is impeccable. The weaknesses in the rationale of the case are directly attributable to the necessity of circumventing the previous adjudication of the Supreme Court in the Nova Scotia case.

Gamma Globulin

Few more hideous word combinations have been concocted by scientists than that of "gamma globulin", a substance now about to be tested for its usefulness as a protection against paralytic poliomyelitis. A grant of \$67,000 from the Federal public health research funds has been allotted to buy special equipment needed to prepare an initial quantity, and production will be handled in Canada by the Connaught Medical Research Laboratories at Toronto.

If the substance proves effective in combating polio, perhaps someone will give it a more euphonious name.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A dividend on Newfoundland's entry into Confederation is now becoming available. Vitamin enriched flour and bread is making its appearance. Although compulsory in Newfoundland, however, it is merely permissible in the other Provinces.

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Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not grievous, but for you it is safe. For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more. . . . But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.

Lord Joseph Lister, British surgeon, died this date 1912. He did research on muscle cells and discovered that the plain muscle cells of the iris regulates the size of the pupil of the eye. He also proved that ammonia in the blood is caused by disease but he owes his fame to applying Pasteur's theories to the practice of surgery, using carbolic acid and other antiseptics to reduce the danger of infection.

The Rt. Rev. Donald Marsh says the socialization of the Eskimo should be stopped. The baby bonus and old age pension is having the reverse effect on the welfare of these people. Other philosophers have noted that such is the general tendency, but safely predict, that as has already been the case in the rest of Canada, the demoralization will not be accompanied by howls of complaint from the Eskimo.



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.

UNIONIZED FOOD PRODUCERS

Sir,—Having in mind the saying "it is never too late to do good", I believe that if we who are attempting to derive a living from the soil, would discard all the theories and philosophies drilled into our minds in the past regarding organization we could obtain cost of production—plus, for the foods we produce.

Farmers can only be classed as "Jacks of all trades and masters of none". Therefore, if we should decide to organize along the same lines as other successful labor groups, we will be necessary that we distinguish ourselves by name, and as we are all producing food, why not be known for what we are? At least let us all hope that in the future we will be recognized as "unionized food producers of Canada."

What sort of reasoning is a man guilty of when he encourages his own or another man's son, to pursue gambling as an occupation? Yet not only farmers themselves, but our clergy, and businessmen, are alarmed because farmers' sons and daughters are no longer intrigued by a gambler's paradise, therefore refuse to remain on the land, preferring the same theory of having all their eggs in one basket in preference to many near empty.

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I am, Sir, etc., R. E. CONNOLLY, Dunstaffnage.

Old Charlottetown (And P. E. I.) FISHERMEN'S LUCK

From Osgood's "The Maritime Provinces: a Handbook For Travelers" Boston, 1881: "The sea-trout fishing in the bays and harbors of Prince Edward Island, especially in June, when the fish first rush in from the Gulf, is really magnificent. They average 3 to 5 pounds each. I found the best fishing at St. Peter's Bay, on the north side of the island, about 28 miles from Charlottetown. I there killed in one morning 16 trout, which weighed 80 pounds. In the bays and along the coasts of the island they are taken with the scarlet fly, from a boat under 'easy sail, with a mackerel breeze, and sometimes a heavy 'ground swell'. The fly skips from wave to wave at the end of 30 yards of line, and there should be at least 70 yards more on the reel. It is splendid sport, as a strong fish will make sometimes a long run, and give a good chase down the wind."

Potato Experiments

(Saint John Telegraph-Journal) A few years ago there was a great flurry of interest in the agricultural world when two new high-resistant types of potato were developed in New Brunswick. The "Keswick" and "Canso", as they were called, promised a new era of comparative freedom from an affliction which had plagued farmers' fields periodically and had caused great economic loss. Nowhere in Canada did the news attract more enthusiastic attention than in New Brunswick, for potatoes are by far our most important agricultural crop. But the Keswick and Canso, which are being distributed more widely as seed with each successive planting season, do not represent the ultimate in potato research. We were reminded of this the other day when an official of the Dominion Experimental Station told an agricultural gathering that New Brunswick potato growers could look forward to the early introduction of still more new varieties.

Thousands of potato seedlings are being developed under a continuous program, the breeding work being done in greenhouses at Fredericton under controlled conditions while the seedlings are propagated at the station's farm at Alma, Albert County, a site chosen because it is remote from most commercial potato fields and accordingly isolated from the danger of disease infection while the stock is being increased. These research projects, which exchange information and experience regularly with similar agricultural laboratories in the U. S., England and elsewhere, serve a valuable purpose in the steady progress of the potato-growing industry.

The Age-Old Story

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The Poet's Corner

THE CHILD IN THE GARDEN

When to the garden of untroubled thought I came of late, and saw the open door, And wished again to enter, and explore The sweet, wild ways with stainless bloom inwrought, And bowers of innocence with beauty fraught, It seemed some purer voice must speak before I dared to tread that garden loved of yore, That Eden lost unknown and found unsought. Then just within the gate I saw a child, A stranger-child, yet to my heart most dear, Who held his hands to me and softly smiled With eyes that knew no shade of sin or fear; "Come in," he said, "and play awhile with me; I am the little child you used to be."

—Henry Van Dyke.

Acadian Pioneers

(Ottawa Citizen) A new memorial at Pubnico near Yarmouth, N. S., is a reminder that European settlement in the Maritimes had begun as early as colonization in the St. Lawrence Valley. Though development of the two French regions was closely parallel, the Acadians might claim to have been the pioneers. But now that Newfoundland is a province of Canada, some of its Acadians may be able to show descent from settlers in 16th century British hamlets, making French-speaking Canadians comparative newcomers. The Tadoussac trading post was established in 1599, and Champlain founded Quebec in 1608; but no oxen drew plows through the soil of the St. Lawrence Valley until after 1625. Meantime Champlain, with De Monts and Poutrincourt, had built the habitation at Port Royal in 1605, and there in the great dining-hall the Order of Good Cheer held banquets that the dramatist Lescaur compared favorably to those of Paris. Port Royal soon fell to Argall's New England raiders. But Charles de la Tour kept his post at Cape Sable, and French colonists began farming the rich lands of the Annapolis Basin. Acadia survived the vicissitudes of war, and in 1651 Sieur Philippe d'Entremont founded Pubnico, which became a barony. One of his numerous descendants, the late H. Leander d'Entremont, raised the first monument at Center East Pubnico in 1930. The new

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Notes By The Way

If variety is the spice of life, Ottawa should be happy over their recent weather fare—ranging from sub-zero temperatures to rain to Arctic winds within the space of a couple of days. — Ottawa Citizen.

Carelessness with firearms is an offence that seems to be altogether too common, especially when the danger attending the use of guns is so very obvious, and so widely known. And it seems insignificant that the most numerous reports of accidents resulting from the misuse of guns, concern the popular .22 low-calibre rifles so often used by youngsters. — Owen Sound Sun-Times.

University of California scientists have exploded a base canard long directed at Old Dobbin. It is the saying that a heavy eater "eats like a horse." According to the savants, a horse consumes far less food, relatively, than a human. In the course of a year, Dobbin may eat only eight or nine times his weight of food. An adult human, on the other hand, eats 16 times his weight in the same time. — Kitchener-Waterloo Record.

There is a gentleman who frequently visits our street about 1 a. m., sits in his car and leans on the horn button. Perhaps he is picking up a fellow worker for a night-shift job; perhaps this is just his mating call. We don't know. We wish him no serious harm, of course — but we would rather enjoy locking him in a telephone booth in company with a couple of diesel horns, and setting them to playing chopsticks. — Hamilton Spectator.

In New York Mrs. Frida Beckman, aged 79, has just graduated from high school, and in California, Mr. John B. Ely, aged 83, is graduating from John Muir College. This doesn't mean they were so backward they spent their lives at school. Mrs. Beckman, who came from Germany six years ago, wished to graduate from an American school. Mr. Ely's education was interrupted many years ago, but he never lost the desire to learn more and now he intends going after his Ph. D. Most people regard education as a preparation for life, and it is. But it is much more than that. It is a pleasure and satisfaction in itself, and

memorial brings the Acadian story up to date, for the local branch of the Canadian Legion has placed on it a plaque bearing the names of Acadians who died in two world wars. After their expulsion from Nova Scotia in the middle of the 18th century, many Acadians returned from exile in far places, though others remained in Louisiana. Their descendants today are a large element in the populations of Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and an especially New Brunswick. As a permanent colony, the Acadians probably took root a little earlier than did settlement in the trading empire of the St. Lawrence.

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