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Noted in Passing

From all appearances Canada is going to have an official flag in the near future, the parliamentary committee appointed to study the various designs have narrowed their choice down to five at last accounts. Leading by long odds in the five is the old red ensign which we always considered the national flag, with the coat of arms replaced by a large maple leaf. This flag got 17 votes by the committee, while the nearest any other of the five received was four. Then the final choice was postponed, for some reason not readily apparent. We are in hopes the red ensign will finally be adopted, either with a maple leaf or the old coat of arms. It is a beautiful flag, has old associations for senior Canadians at least and would do very nicely as a national emblem, as it did in years gone past. We never could see any reason for its demotion.

Perhaps we are too old-fashioned, but there is another feature of our national life that dispels us. We see neither sense nor reason in changing the name of our main patriotic holidays from Dominion Day to Canada Day. We have read a lot of opinions on the question, both for and against the change, and we fail to see yet what object can be gained. Anyway, there is one consolation: No one has yet suggested doing away with the national holiday, and whether it be Dominion Day or Canada Day, it is usually a fine time of the year for a break in the daily grind.

And speaking of holidays, the Queen's Birthday that we celebrated in our younger days as the first let-up in the spring rush is still with us and will arrive tomorrow. It looks at the time of writing as though the weather was going to favor us; the pickering season has opened and the trout are supposed to be biting, the gardening should be at its height; the ball teams are limbering up; there is no war that need worry us very much, so we may all enjoy the "Twenty-Fourth" in the good old-fashioned way. Incidentally, if some of us decide to include Saturday as well in our "time off" we hope there will be no serious complaints from our readers and customers. The office will remain closed for the two days.

WHAT'S IN A NAME

"Love hangs like light about your name As music round the heart!" —Swinburne

This instalment will deal with names of people who may trace their family nomenclature back to various classifications of society.

In Britain there grew up a very rigid class system. It was extremely difficult to enter a higher class from a lower one.

In the days of King Arthur, his knights were very famous. Mrs. Iris Knight has a name that has come down, no doubt, from the days of chivalry. Iris is a flower name, known to all.

Lloyd Childs has a name that indicates a person who is marked for knighthood. A son of a knight might be marked for knighthood and be trained to carry on in the halls of fame.

Herbert Day has a name of three origins. It might be traced to the simple word day, twenty-four hours in duration. From the French, it comes from "douce", meaning sweet. Most probably it comes from the German, diener, which means to serve. Herb does not at all resemble a butler does he? Herbert is an old Anglo-Saxon word from here-behoert meaning bright army or glory of the army.

Sidney Oliver may be a strict and uncompromising man when it comes to enforcing His Majesty's laws, but his name means peaceful. The olive branch has always stood for peace. Sidney is an old name coming from St. Denis.

We have another saint in our midst. Fred Austin's name comes from the great missionary

THEIR FIRST CANADIAN RAIL JOURNEY



AFTERNOON TEA in the dining car with their mother, Her Excellency, The Viscountess Alexander, and then the thrill of a visit to the cab of the giant Canadian National Railways locomotive pulling the Vice-Regal special from Halifax to Ottawa were among the pleasant and, indeed, exciting experiences for the Alexander children during their first two days in Canada. They were delighted to see grapefruit and bananas, for instance, on the dinner menu, both rare commodities in Britain, to say nothing of roast beef, fruit pies and ice cream. On boarding the train the three children, Rose, Shane and Brian, discovered a well-filled fruit bowl in the dining room of the Governor-General's car and soon after received per-

mission from their governess to help themselves. The bananas, oranges, pears and apples quickly disappeared and Rose, speaking for herself and two brothers, told the steward that the fruit tasted "marvellous".

The photographs show: Top—Viscountess Alexander and her three children about to have afternoon tea in a C.N.R. dining car. Bottom, left—Brian, 6, is being helped off the big locomotive after inspecting the many instruments in the cab. Bottom, right—Rose, 12, and Shane, 10, sitting in the "driver's seat" of locomotive No. 6201. They thought it was fun and hated to leave the engine cab when the signal was given for the train to proceed to Ottawa.

St. Augustine who Christianized there was a space just on the edge of the fertile land which was used for common pasturage. One person was usually assigned to watch over this area. Hence the name. Florence is of Latin origin, meaning flourishing and prosperous.

Florence Hutt's name comes from hudda, a mediaeval name for commons. In each village

there was a space just on the edge of the fertile land which was used for common pasturage. One person was usually assigned to watch over this area. Hence the name. Florence is of Latin origin, meaning flourishing and prosperous.

When you see those two fine lads that look so much alike that

you can't tell one from the other as they toddle down Ferguson avenue, you remark that they must be twins. Yes, they are the twin sons of Mrs. Betty Mitchell. Mitchell is derived from St. Michael, who was the archangel. Or we may go to the Scottish language to find it meaning small. Betty is short for Elizabeth which is a Hebrew word meaning oath.

Many people who do a great deal of travelling look to St. Christopher as the patron saint of travellers. I have seen many St. Christopher badges displayed within the interior of automobiles in the belief that they would bring safe journeys. Carman Christie's name means St. Christopher. Carman is a Latin word for a song or music.

In the eleventh century, a wandering preacher, Peter the Hermit, returned from the Holy Land and began stirring up fervent people who went in a group to drive the infidel from the land surrounding the sacred places in the East. Thus began the first of the nine great crusades. Those who went on these journeys were commonly known as pilgrims. An old name meaning a traveller to a sacred place is Palmer. Cecil Palmer might trace his name to such an origin. Cecil comes from

the Latin cocus meaning blind. Known ones. Sir Guy or Guron was not quite so famous. Peter Wyatt may trace his name back to this latter-named knight. The Norman equivalent was Guyatt, which quite closely resembles the present English name in many ways. Peter comes from petro—a rock, and stands for solidness.

I referred earlier to King Arthur and his knights of the Round Table. Many and famous were these men. Sir Galahad and Sir Launfol were two of the better

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"A Beauty" A swirl beneath the surface, a ripple where a moment before quiet water had mirrored the leaves above... And then—an explosion of iridescent beauty as the speckled trout leaps high in search of food. Since the days of Izaak Walton the joys of angling have captured the hearts of many men, and we in Canada have been endowed with a stock of fighting fish unparalleled in the world. But by our very enthusiasm we have endangered the sport we love. Many waters which formerly teemed with fish are now barren. Many species have vanished entirely from their old haunts. Our governments, both Provincial and Federal, have instituted restocking programmes, built fish hatcheries, and passed laws for the protection of game fish, but without wholehearted and active public support, mainly in the observance of daily catch limits, these measures will fail. Conservation is not just a doctrine to be preached to hunters and fishermen. It is a vital part in the continuance of our national economy, and must, of necessity, fail if its measures do not receive the full support of all Canadian citizens.

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