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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1904.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The question of the legality of the Provincial Government's power to enforce Prohibition will be the first case considered at the May session of the Supreme Court.

The Hon. Herbert Gardner, President of the British Board of Agriculture, has asked the Canadian Government, through the Colonial Office, for further and immediate assistance in reference to Canada's freedom from plague.

The bill introduced to amend the law of libel contains a number of provisions that will please newspaper publishers. Under the new act, a judge rules for costs to be put up in a newspaper action there is to be no appeal. The time during which an action may be commenced is limited to one year. This will equitably fair to the newspaper and the public.

The London "Eng. Times" weekly letter on the Dominion of Canada last week dealt with Ontario and the Maritime provinces in a most appreciative spirit as to the British and British investment in the Dominion.

The Government of the British Austral colonies of Victoria has inaugurated an official loan office. Small loans, up to a maximum of £1,000, are to be granted to farmers and others to enable them to improve their holdings.

Mr. Yates says that at the present time probably the most unhappy politician in England is Mr. John Morley. He has been compelled to swallow down the past eighteen months both the British occupation of Egypt and the eight hours law, and now he is obliged by Lord Rosebery to swallow what is practically the shoving of the Home Rule bill, and the very restriction is by no means unlooked for.

The commission appointed by the Ontario Government to inquire into and report upon the system of paying county officers, such as sheriffs and registrars, by fees will consist of the following members: Chancellor Boyd, president of the High Court of Justice; Hon. John Beverley Robinson; Mr. Thomas Brooke, of the Township of Bradford; and Mr. John I. Hobson, of the Township of Gloucestershire.

An American journal has this to say about the Dominion: "Canada is possibly the most important country in the world, and it is naturally, on many accounts, especially in its commercial relations, strongly connected with the United States. The Canadian market is the most important link between the two largest portions of the English speaking world. His view is decidedly broader and more international than the average American to the south of him or the average Englishman in the Mother Country."

There is a prevailing idea among farmers here and in the United States that the shipments of wheat from the continent are the principal sources from whence the import principal sources of Europe draw their supplies. To illustrate how mistaken a notion this is, it may be mentioned that the exports of wheat from the United States are estimated to be worth for the year ending March 31, 1904, over \$1,412,000,000; while the Russian and Black Sea shipments alone amounted to \$77,000,000, during the same period, leaving out the shipments from other sources, principal among which are those from India, Australia and South America.

The disposition of the \$85,000 that was received by the County of Halton from the Grand Trunk Railway has been a bone of contention ever since the money came into possession of the county. The people whose property was assessed for the bonus which afterwards came back to the county are of course anxious to have their money returned to them, and as a matter of strict justice they are probably entitled to it. Eleven out of the sixteen members of the county council voted in favor of the money being distributed among those who paid it in a committee of the Local Legislature has reviewed the question and has decided to send the funds for county school purposes in the indirect way the money will go back to the original contributors, but a director would have been much more acceptable to them. To locate the individuals who contributed to the bonus would be a difficult matter after so many years Toronto Herald.

American newspapers delight to be regarded as sources of news in advance of the times. The following from a recent issue of the Detroit "Christian Herald" would indicate that in some matters they woefully lagged to keep pace. "There is a famous border in Toronto. It is called the Education Legislative division. It is in the corner. On one corner is the University of Canada, on another the residence of the Lieutenant Governor, on the third a splendid Protestant Church, while on the fourth is a school." About a quarter of a century ago the above complex was current but its progress was destroyed some years ago when Upper Canada College, "The University of Canada" was removed. It will be news to the Herald to hear that there is no "University of Canada" and that Toronto University, the Provincial University and its affiliated colleges, are all located a mile or more distant from the "famous corner," and further, that Canada has fourteen Universities within her domain, each of which is accomplishing important educational work.

Fruit culture is more profitable to the farmer now than his other crops. Brown Brox Co., the most extensive nursery house in Canada, has a vacancy in its section. Write them at Toronto, Ont., for their terms.

Miss G. Lindquist relays a message.

THE REVISED TARIFF

Many Minor Changes, But Few Sweeping Readjustments Comprehensive Budget of "Can-PROTECTIVE PRINCIPLE STILL.

OTTAWA, Mar. 28.—Yesterday was the day most eagerly looked forward to by members of the tariff commission. The House opened, and the galleries and corridors were thronged with visitors. Mr. Foster, Minister of Finance, presented the budget speech in wealthy detail, prefacing the information as to the tariff changes with a lengthy statement contrasting Canada's position during the trade depression with that of various other leading nations. The position of the Government on the various questions of policy was clearly defined and the principle of protection is to be strictly adhered to.

TALK OF THE DAY.

An Epitome of the World's Doings During the Week.

Winnipeg's city assessment for this year is \$21,000,000. Lexington runs all child labor off its streets at 2.00 p.m.

The Government has given \$250,000 to the Dominion of Canada to be used for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the tariff act.

Essex County has had no less than five defaulting county treasurers.

A new post office, named Lloyd, has been established in Luskville county.

An Indian pony, 13 years old, the oldest in Ontario, is owned by a Forest officer.

The Mayor of St. Boniface, Man., will resign owing to a disagreement with the Town Council.

The next convention of the Ontario Sabbath School Association will be held at Belleville in October.

It is now announced that the Welland and St. Lawrence canals will be opened for traffic about April 30th.

Timon's municipal clerk is in bed, and the Municipal Government has appointed a receiver for the town.

James O'Brien, of Stockdale, Ont., was on Saturday fined \$20 for using a postage stamp which had been used before.

Mrs. McMillan, wife of Dr. James McMillan, M. P., Toronto, died last week. She was in her 70th year.

Walter Reynolds, of Cambridge, aged 22, was a hearty young Monday evening, and then went out to the stable and hanged himself.

Mrs. Alfred Gannon was stricken with paralysis while attending a funeral at Woodstock Tuesday, and died in a few minutes.

Lady Macpherson, of Toronto, died Friday in San Remo, Italy. She was mother of Mrs. G. Kirkpatrick (then Macpherson).

Mrs. Macdonald, wife of Hon. D. J. Macdonald, of St. Andrew's church, died Friday evening from congestion of the lungs after a week's illness.

Mrs. McDonald pleaded guilty of bigamy Monday at the Barona Assizes, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for six months.

George Bull's grist mill at St. Albert, near Edmonton, was destroyed by fire Tuesday. Loss \$100,000. No insurance. Five thousand bushels of wheat were destroyed.

There is much "kibitzing" in Coloured circles in the West. It is reported that the tax collector has refused to extend the time for payment of taxes for 1904. Several hundred ratepayers are in arrears.

Over \$100,000 worth of mink was produced in Canada during 1903. A part of this amounting to \$66,166, was exported mostly to the United States for electrical purposes.

Charles Chamberlain, of Toronto, charged with perjury and perjury in the Winnipeg elections, was on Saturday sentenced to three years imprisonment.

General Booth, of the Salvation Army, will visit Canada this fall, when he will conduct a public subscription campaign throughout the Dominion and United States.

Deputy Returning Officer Holmes, who was charged with opening his ballot box half an hour before the appointed time at the Winnipeg elections, was on Saturday fined \$200.

Over twenty million bushels of wheat are now in store at Port William and Port Arthur elevators. Last year at this time there were over three million bushels there.

Charles O'Neil, a young Englishman living near Niagara, was discovered on the cross bridge over the river on Thursday afternoon. He had become fast in the drifting ice and he attempted to crawl ashore.

Ontario Government Detective Joseph E. Rogers arrived at Tampa, Fla., on Sunday from Toronto. He is "on the trail" of a grand trunk railway fraud.

Reports received from many points to the west growing regions of the west and northwest are such as to justify the opinion that winter wheat has been seriously damaged by the recent cold snap.

FARMER'S SON TORTURED

CONFINED TO THE HOUSE FOR MONTHS AND UNABLE TO WALK.

A sensational story from the neighborhood of Cooksville, Ontario, is being told in the "Toronto Daily Star." It is the story of a young man, the son of a farmer, who has been confined to his bed for months and is unable to walk.

Four miles from the village of Cooksville, Ontario, there is a farm owned by the Credit Valley division of the C. P. R., on what is known as the "Carter Farm." It is the farm of Thomas O'Neil. In the village of Cooksville, Ontario, there is a young man, the son of a farmer, who has been confined to his bed for months and is unable to walk.

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There will be offered for sale by Public Auction by the Administrator of the Estate of the late James McDonald, on Wednesday, the 11th day of April, next on the premises at the hour of one o'clock P.M. the following valuable real estate: The Eastern Half of Lot 1 and the Western Half of Lot 2, in the Township of Nassagaweya, in the County of Halton, containing 10 acres more or less.

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