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EDITORIAL

The Free Press' Forty-Seventh Volume

With this issue of the Free Press commences its forty-seventh volume. Verily, we are rapidly approaching the list of the venerables among the local newspapers of the Province. With nearly half a century to its credit this journal has been associated with nearly the whole of Acton's official career as a municipality. The incorporation of this town dates back to 1873; the Free Press was founded on the eighth birthday of the Dominion of Canada, July 1, 1875. From the outset the aim of this newspaper has been to both fully and satisfactorily represent the interests of the town and community from which its support is so largely derived. In this respect the readers of its columns will readily testify that Acton's best interests, materially, morally and socially have ever been carefully and loyally presented from week to week through all the years. During its lifetime the Free Press has seen much community and national development and has always been planned to have some share in the advancement and betterment of the country and its conditions of life. It has been gratifying that the paper itself has been able to make advancement from time to time in the quality and arrangement of its journalistic bill of fare, and is to-day well abreast of the local newspapers published in towns of the size and importance of Acton anywhere in our Dominion. This has been made possible because of the very loyal support of the residents of the community, which is hereby gratefully acknowledged, and it is with pleasure and gratification the statement can be made that the Free Press' circulation has been a constant growth and is larger to-day than ever before. The present editor has had forty-three years of uninterrupted control of the destinies of Acton's newspaper. His aim will continue to be the advancement of the best interests of the community, first, last and always.

The New Highway Route

Whatever may be the future experiences of Hon. S. C. Biggs, Minister of Public Highways, he will surely remember the multiplicity of suggestions made by delegations and municipal officials relative to that section of the Toronto to Sarnia Highway between Acton and Brantford. It may be taken for granted that he has honestly aimed to do two things. First to secure the very best route for the highway as a whole, and second, to meet the wishes of the largest possible number of persons to be served in the territory of the section named. The Georgetown Herald of last week reports the latest move in relation to the route of the proposed highway, as follows: "Hon. Mr. Drury, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Mr. Biggs and Engineer McLean were in town on Wednesday and went over the two routes suggested for the new Provincial Highway. They met a number of the ratepayers and those interested in the Council Chamber in the afternoon and the two routes were discussed from various angles. The Premier said a survey and an estimate of the cost of the two proposed routes would be made and then submitted to the Council and others interested before a definite route would be finally designated through Georgetown. The suggestion with reference to serving the County Town makes it look quite possible that when finally settled the check line will be the route."

The Party System in Australia

They have had trouble with the party system of government in Australia as we have had in Canada. As a result the Perth Western Mail sums up the conditions as follows: "There will always be parties while there are differences of opinion and all parties have a right to be represented not only in any parliament that claims to be democratic, but in every government that is deemed to be established on democratic foundations. The trouble about the party system as we see it in operation is that it has become crystallized; that it has not adapted itself to a radically changed environment. There was a time when the mother of parliaments and the several colonial parliaments could be rightly divided into two parties. For long this has not been the case. We now see three, four and more parties sitting in the one chamber and governed by groups, the logical sequel of which is proportional representation and electric ministries, but up to the present no parliament in the British Empire has been logical. If parliament is to be rehabilitated these reforms must be effected."

Impassable Barrier to Future Quarrels

Making a plea for continued Anglo-American friendship, in speaking before the English-speaking Union at London last week, Winston Churchill declares: "The joint advance of British, Australian and American troops in Franco on July 4, 1918, raised an impassable barrier to future quarrels between English-speaking peoples. We must never hesitate in our exertions to counteract the malicious and false-hearted people, who, while professing to be friends of the British Empire on one hand and of the United States on the other, are endeavoring to create divergences between the two countries." The hundred years of peace must be perpetuated, and it no doubt will.

The Futility of Strikes Again

Another phase of the pernicious and unreasonable adoption of the strike method for securing concessions which are believed to be desirable by workmen was the strike of policemen and firemen last week in the city of Quebec. Criminal, it was, especially when some of the strikers tampered with the water-works hydrants when a fire was in progress. Concerted action by Canadian municipalities to prevent strikes among firemen and policemen and to provide for the settlement of all disputes by arbitration cannot be taken a day too soon. Conditions such as those attending the Quebec firemen's strike are intolerable.

Prophecies a Liberal Government

Hon. R. H. Grant, Minister of Education in the Ontario Government, reads the Medicine Hat election last week as a sign that the Liberal Party will predominate in the next Dominion House, and also as an indication that the Meighen Government is doomed to certain defeat, and to a return to Ottawa with the smallest group in the House. The prophecy, no doubt, is father to the hope of the Ontario Minister.

Canada and Belgium Trading Generously

An increase of approximately eight million dollars in export of Canadian goods to Belgium during the twelve months ending May 31, last, as compared with the twelve-month period ending May 31, 1920, is shown by the trade summary issued through the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Imports from Belgium during the twelve months under review rose to \$4,756,340, as against a total of \$1,507,684 for the year ending May 31, 1920. These large business relations mean much in the development of profitable trade for the future.

Great Britain and the Dominions

It is surely gratifying to note the kindly attitude of the Government of Great Britain on the relation of the Dominions to the Empire. If there had been any doubt as to the attitude on the question of the relation of Canada and the other Dominions it would have been dispelled by the debate in the House of Commons last week on the agenda of the Premiers' Conference. One thing that this debate made clear was the unanimity of all parties and classes in Great Britain, Radicals, Unionists, Laborites and Liberals, in their recognition of the Dominions as co-equal partners in a commonwealth of self-governing States. This is as it should be, and the present conference of the premiers of these various Dominions, now in progress in London, must enhance this feeling of solidarity.

Disarmament Proposals

The important proposal for disarmament by the nations of the world is manifestly growing in favor and commanding wider consideration. When such an important nation as the United States seriously considers this question it augurs well for an ultimate success of the proposal. President Harding is prepared to call a conference of the leading naval powers for a discussion of the limitation of armaments as soon as the Naval Appropriations Bill, carrying the Borch "Disarmament" Amendment, becomes law. Although approving thoroughly the principle of "Disarmament," the President believes the problem difficult to solve and dangerous to handle at this time. He is, nevertheless, willing to father the call to a conference of the nations for discussion of the great question.

The Wide-Spread Vice of Gambling

It does seem a strong reflection upon the Christian nations that it is left to China to inaugurate a crusade against gambling. Yet this spirit has taken hold of the Chinese people. 15,000 citizens of Canton, in a parade several miles long, recently presented to the Governor a petition from more than 50,000 members of the Anti-Gambling Society, asking for the abolition of the gambling vice in Canton. Churches, schools, trade and labor organizations took part in the affair. The answer to the petition was a proclamation to stop gambling, which order is to be enforced by military law. If Canada as a whole could be persuaded to unite in a campaign against race track gambling particularly much could be accomplished. Attorney-General Raney of Ontario has taken an aggressive position on the important question, and the church courts have generally endorsed his position in relation to the matter. But it requires more than speeches and resolutions to accomplish the ends desired.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Irish people, north and south, desire peace, whether those who presume to be leaders wish it or not.

Alberta general elections will be fought with short campaigns. Sixty-one seats are to be filled in fifty-two ridings on July 18.

The prospects for lower prices for wheat are not encouraging to the farmers. There's too much of a spread between wheat and coal.

Of the soldiers in Canada who have gone farming since the war, and received Government loans, five-sixths of them have settled in the four western provinces.

The Duke of Connaught continues his kindly expressions for Canada. At the Dominion Day dinner at London last Friday, in responding to the toast to the Royal family, he spoke in happy recollections of the years he spent in Canada.

"Work or go to jail" is an order issued by the police of New Orleans, aimed at the marine strikers. Being on strike will not be taken as an excuse for not working. Even in St. Paul's time the edict went forth, "If a man will not work neither shall he eat."

"Back to the Farm" is being acted upon in earnest in the United States. According to the Department of Agriculture, six million men have left the cities and gone back to the farms. The supply of farm labor now is placed at 95 per cent.

The British Government announces that there will be no autumn session of Parliament. The chief proposal for legislation next session will be the reform of the House of Lords. It's a pity similar legislation could not be devised for the reform of our Canadian "House of Lords."

The success of Robert Gardiner, Progressive candidate in the Medicine Hat Federal by-election, has stimulated Alberta farmers to greater action in the Provincial election which will be held on July 18, and the United Farmers of Alberta will have candidates in most of the rural ridings.

The practice which has been in vogue for some time on leading highways of buying and selling fruit, vegetables, etc., on Sundays must cease. This is a violation of the Lord's Day Act, and the Attorney-General has given notice that prosecutions will be instituted if this traffic is continued. There is certainly no necessity for such buying and selling.

Imperial Memento to Next of Kin

A Bronze Plaque, Inscribed, with Letter From the King to Each Family

The bronze plaques which are being sent by the Imperial Government to the next of kin of all Empire soldiers who died for the supreme sacrifice, late war have reached Canada, some 3,000 of these having been received by the Department of Health, Ottawa. These will be distributed as soon as can be arranged.

There will be in the neighborhood of 6,000 of those distributed in Canada. With them goes a letter from His Majesty the King, as follows: "I join with my grateful people in sending you this memorial of a brave life given for others in the great war. The letter is dated from Buckingham Palace. With it is a scroll reading: 'This memorial is dedicated to the call of King and Country, left behind by the brave soldier, who, in the path of duty and self-sacrifice, giving up their lives for others who might live in freedom. Let those who come after see to it that his name be not forgotten.'"

The plaque is in bronze and is about six inches in diameter. It contains the inscription: "This scroll commemorates the death of the soldier, whose name and rank are inscribed on the scroll." The scroll is in gold and is about six inches long and one inch wide. It contains the name, rank and regiment of the soldier who died, and also the name of the next of kin to whom the plaque is being sent.

RELIABLE ROAD GUIDES
The Mission Book Company, of Toronto, is supplying the best road guides in the Empire. The complete series, covering the entire Empire, is now in the hands of the public. The guides are in two series, one for the British Isles and one for the Continent. The guides are in two series, one for the British Isles and one for the Continent. The guides are in two series, one for the British Isles and one for the Continent.

County Council Equalization
The Assessment Values of the Municipalities for 1921
The equalization of the assessment of the municipalities of Ontario for county purposes for 1921, have been fixed by the County Council as follows: Acton \$ 575,981; Brantford 832,758; Burlington 1,228,108; Cambridge 1,460,530; London 2,007,247; Niagara Falls 1,237,762; Ottawa 2,503,152; Toronto 4,400,335; Total \$17,176,614.

SOME LION
A number of men were sitting in a village shop talking on various topics. One of them just concluded telling how he had killed a great South African lion with a revolver. "That was a fine feat," said another man, "but I don't know what you were thinking of. Why, when I was in South Africa, walking through the bush, I saw a great lion, but I had no revolver to shoot it with!" "What ever happened?" asked the first man. "Why, I simply took out my pocket-knife and cut off his head!" "What?" exclaimed the man who had just spoken. "Cut off the head of a lion with an ordinary pocket-knife?" "Indeed, it did," said the second speaker. "But perhaps I ought to say it was a dandelion."

DRAWING A CORK
To avoid breaking a cork in setting it out from the neck of a bottle in which it has stuck, the cork should first be pressed very slightly into the neck before any attempt is made to pull it out. A cork becomes stuck by a film of some adhesive matter settling between it and the neck of the bottle, and the object of pressing the cork in is to break this film. A cork can stand any amount of compression; and if the suction is excessive first by a slight movement upwards, the cork can then be pulled out much more readily without risk of breaking it.

GEMS OF THOUGHT
It is difficult to say who do far the most mischief, enemies with the worst intentions, or friends with the best. The foolish trouble before opinion, the foolish do it, the wise judge it. Let as the wind lie, so let mortal life; a man, a sign, a sob, or a storm, strike—Edwin Arnold.
A lie, though it be killed and dead, can sting sometimes—like a dead snake—Mrs. Johnson.
Virtue alone outbuilds the pyramids; her monuments shall last when Egypt's fall—Young.
Don't despair of a student if he has his own clear light—Emerson.
The morning hour has gold in its mouth—Franklin.

REAL TREASURE
A story runs of a young man who plucked up a golden coin lying in the road. Ever after, as he walked, he kept his eye fastened on the ground in hope of finding another. In the square of a town he he plucked up a good deal of gold and silver, but in all these years he never saw the lovely fowers that grow in the grass, dot, or mountain peaks and silver streams.
God's stars come out and shine like gems of everlasting hope, but he kept his eyes upon the mud and filth in which he sought the treasure; and when he died, a great darkness lay upon his lovely earth only a dirty road in which to pick up money as he walked along.

MEN DO ATTEND CHURCH
Again and again have we heard the charge that "men do not attend church." It is a charge which is often made. A number of churches in Pittsburgh, Pa., and other places, among others—have recently made tests. In all cases it has been found that almost fifty per cent of those attending church are men. Thirty-seven per cent of the church attendance in Dutch were found to be men, and eighty-one per cent were wage earners. There has been an increase in church attendance in all countries, especially on the part of men. Men are also taking a larger part in the work of the church and supporting the church more liberally—Exchange.

PROFITABLE QUANTITIES OF SKIM MILK

The tendency of the farmer to ship his surplus of milk direct to market is one that always gives room for criticism, but yet reasonable in many cases. It is true that the farmer with a minimum of labor the Dairyman does not readily surrender himself to the task of separating the milk and feeding the skim milk on the place is worth while. But surely where the milk is shipped to the creamery and the skim milk resold at as low a price as 20 cents per 100 pounds, as is the case in the Champlain Valley, N. C., at the present time, it would be well for farmers to make good use of the milk in some other way that would make more profitable return any other way than by feeding up a number of pigs on a ration composed of skim milk in combination with mixed meal. It has been found at the Experimental Farm, Agassiz, that feeding skim milk at 20 cents per 100 pounds in a mixture with concentrates, is profitable. Although substitutes, such as tankage for example, may be used in place of skim milk when the latter is not available, yet skim milk has a value for example, in that it feeds the muscles and bony framework of young animals. Although skim milk is not available for the same purposes as when it is fed to calves, yet when properly combined with a grain ration it becomes one of the most useful of all available feed foods for pigs.

Estimating the value of skim milk as a feed for pigs the most important factor to determine the most profitable quantity to feed in combination with a grain ration for it is impossible to state to determine the most profitable amount of skim milk to feed. With this object in view, therefore, a series of experiments in swine feeding was set on foot at the Experimental Farm, Agassiz, in the winter of 1917 and similar experiments have been carried on every winter since. As a result of these experiments it is now possible to state that in every case the larger the amount of milk fed the greater are the gains. Comparisons have been made where a standard ration of grain was fed to all lots with varying quantities of skim milk in the different groups as contrasted to groups fed with equal parts of skim milk and to other groups fed some substitute such as tankage.

On the basis of the rate of 18 lbs. of D.M., 6 lbs. and 1 lb. per pig per day and although the average gain in each group was not very great, the economical gains centered around the groups receiving from 4 to 8 lbs. per pig per day. In every case of the various mixed rations employed in the experiment, without skim milk or substitute fed with water, only gave unsatisfactory results and proved that water is no substitute for skim milk. The general conclusions arrived at are that a profitable amount of skim milk to feed growing pigs is anywhere from 4 to 8 lbs. per pig per day. But this milk is expensive and is probably a cheaply made fat profitably at the rate of 4 lbs. or even 10 lbs. per pig per day. In every case of the various mixed rations employed in the experiment, without skim milk or substitute fed with water, only gave unsatisfactory results and proved that water is no substitute for skim milk.

EDISON SHOWED THEM
In the old days, telegraphers copied messages from the wire with pen and ink in a beautiful, round, legible hand, and a speed of from 30 to 40 words a minute. "Thomas A. Edison, who started out in life as a telegrapher, invented the typograph and handwriting and to this day he writes in the same style as he did when copying telegrams from the telegraph wire in New York fifty years ago.

It has been said that Edison was the greatest telegrapher that ever set down to a key. A telegraphing man stropped his pen in the Western States office at Memphis one day many years ago looking for a job. Because he looked rather cheap, the manager declined to have any more fun with him. Consequently he sat him down at the fastest wire in the office. The man answered the call and the operator at the other end began to send a long press dispatch like a streak of lightning. The man glanced at his pen, pulled it out of the holder, inserted a new pen, dipped it in ink, laid it on a rest and looked it in the pen to burn off the trash oil, tried the pen till it worked to his satisfaction. Then he started to copy. He was three hundred words behind when he began copying a five-hundred-word dispatch by hand. He finished the words behind the sender, and turned out a perfect copy-plate copy.

AN HONORABLE BOY
A high standard of honor is prevalent among the Japanese, as the following story will show. A Japanese nobleman happened to knock the fire door which separated his room from an anteroom, in which a young page was on guard. This boy was amusing himself by counting the rings on the nobleman's sword-hilt, and the man, seeing the boy's nose and hand, quietly withdrew the door, and laid nothing but pushed it back again and said nothing.

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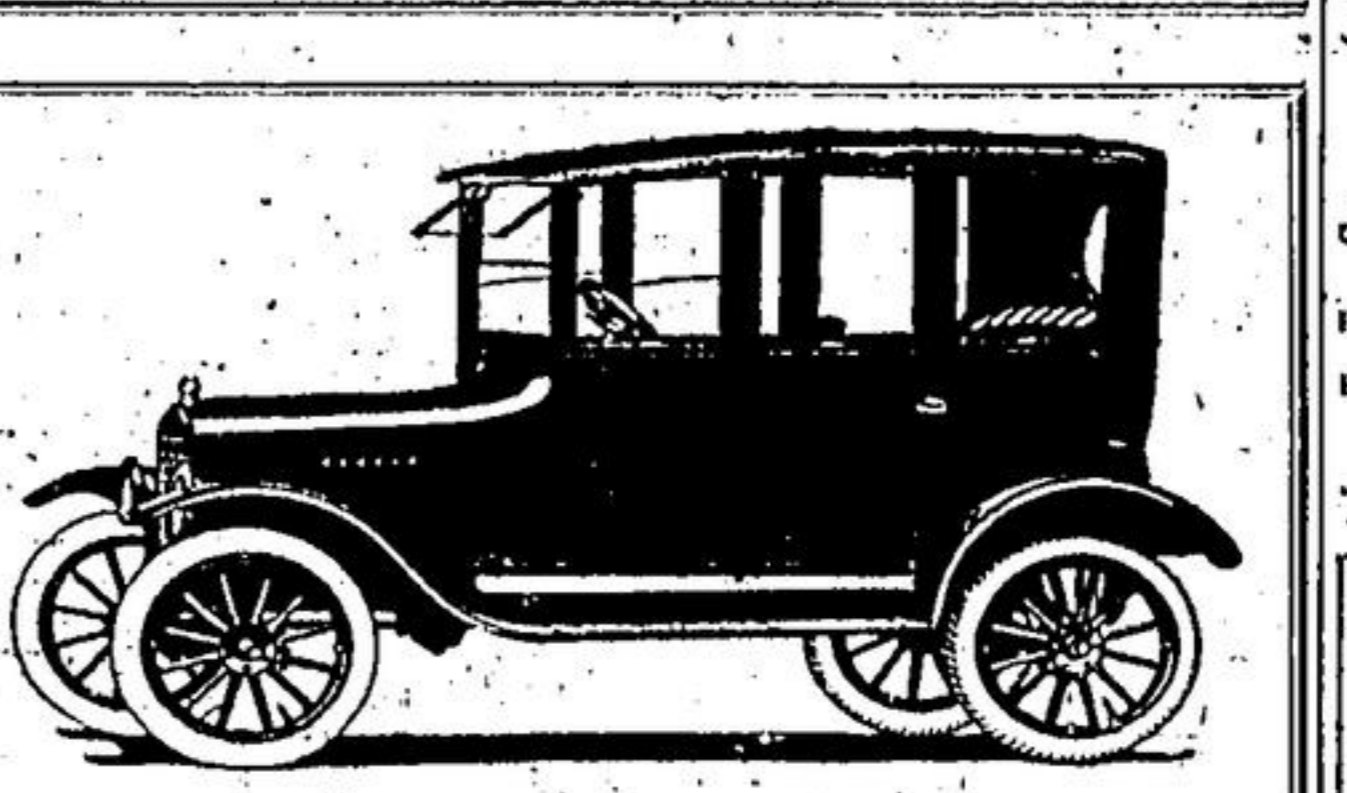
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