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EDITORIAL

New Free Press Co-Partnership

Since the retirement of Rev. T. Albert Moore from the partnership in the business of THE ACTON FREE PRESS in 1870, the responsibilities of management and editorial oversight have rested entirely with his brother, H. P. Moore. For these forty-three years the newspaper and the affiliated printing business have been conducted solely by the writer. The increased size of the Free Press with its added departments, and the constantly growing volume of business in the printing section, have become so heavy that relief from the strenuous position became necessary. With this in view the foreman of the office, Mr. G. A. Dills, has been admitted to partnership. The business will hereafter be carried on under the firm name of THE ACTON FREE PRESS with H. P. Moore as President and Editor, and G. A. Dills, Manager and Assistant Editor. Mr. Dills came to the office as an apprentice thirteen years ago. By faithful service and painstaking effort he has amply qualified himself for the position of manager. Through his position as foreman the past four years he has become well acquainted with the business people and subscribers who favor the Free Press with their patronage, and has won their good will and confidence. Of this he is fully deserving, for his studied efforts have been to satisfy and please all with the productions he supervises, and to exercise uniform courtesy and faithful service to every customer. The new partnership will aim to give the public the best possible service, and will constantly endeavor to improve the Free Press, which we are proud to feel is now one of the best home papers published in the small towns of Canada. The continued patronage of the community for printing, advertising and subscriptions will be fully appreciated by the newly-formed management. We sincerely believe this will be realized, for it is an established fact that no other local newspaper in this country has a more loyal constituency than is enjoyed by THE ACTON FREE PRESS.

Ontario Leaders Favor St. Lawrence Development

There is no uncertainty in the declaration of Premier Drury in his sympathy with the movement to deepen the River St. Lawrence and develop its latent water power. In answer to a question in the Legislature the other day he said: "For many reasons navigation, power, and as the promoter of sound and good international relations, I regard with favor the development of the St. Lawrence. I hope to see the day when the thing shall be an accomplished fact." This expression appeared to find favor with all classes in the House, and a resolution will probably be passed favoring the proposal.

Lights on All Vehicles

Just why such strenuous opposition should be taken by the residents of the rural district to the proposal of several automobile clubs in the Province that the Provincial authorities should compel all kinds of vehicles to carry lights from dusk until sunrise is hard to understand. The proposal is one that would undoubtedly tend to ensure the greater safety of all concerned while driving on country roads. Few drivers of vehicles of any kind have not at some time experienced, through being ditched or mired, the need of the friendly rays of a lighted lamp. The cost of attaching a lamp to any vehicle is so small an item when placed against the advantages that would follow the general adoption of such a custom, that one is tempted to credit the opposition to that contrary twist in human nature that is "agin the Government anyway."—Pembroke Journal.

Our National Railways

Is it not possible that as a country we have been looking at our national railway problem lately from too narrow a viewpoint? The fact that for several years the expenditures have exceeded the receipts has called up wholesale condemnation of Government ownership. It should be remembered that the development of the country has been greatly extended, and many new sections have been opened up for settlement. Due to the war some branch lines that were under construction in 1911, 1912, and 1913 have just recently been completed. If the new towns created and new communities established are considered, it will be readily seen that the value of a railway to a country like Canada cannot be measured by its net earnings. Its effect on the national welfare must be kept in mind. Canada now enjoys better transportation facilities and is in a much more favorable position than ever before to enter upon a period of intensive development.

The Advantages of the Small Town

Commenting on the decreased population in a number of towns and villages, shown by the Dominion census, the Toronto Star points out that many people who leave the towns for the cities find that "all is not gold that glitters" regarding their new conditions. "Many of the families which move into the cities," says the Star, "would be happier, and in the main, better off were they to remain in the small towns which they seem to be so anxious to leave behind. City wages must be weighed with city expenses. City advantages must be weighed with city disadvantages. The artificial life offered by the large centres of population is a lure to many. But the spacious lawns, the out-of-door life, the neighborliness, the simple pleasures, and the community interests of the small town are worth something after all. Depopulation of these centres is not a pleasing phase of the decennial census." Most of the people who have remained in the small towns, whether in business enterprises, or as working people, are immeasurably better off so far as the real comforts, and the spirit of friendliness and mutual helpfulness are concerned, than those who left the home town for the city's attractions.

Planting Trees on the Highways

Hon. Mr. Biggs is doing a great work for the future of Ontario by planting trees along the new highways under construction. If County Councils will follow his lead and plant trees along county roads, what a lovely province of roads this will be in less than a quarter of a century. But the lead is not alone for County Councils. There are Township Councils, and Town Councils. The systematic planting of trees and the care of them should be a part of the regular work of every municipal Council. It costs so little and returns are so great.—Almonte Gazette.

Playing Fair With the Towns

Canada's Department of Trade and Commerce has inaugurated a campaign to secure British industries for the Dominion. In that regard there is much to be achieved, but also much to be avoided. The big city view is that all industry should concentrate in the larger centres. From a national, or even a provincial, viewpoint, however, that is not a commendable policy. There are many fine towns with good railway connection and an adequate power supply which would make splendid industrial locations and whose young people would thus be kept from drifting to the big cities. These towns should get their share.—Toronto Star.

Dancing Parties Not Helpful to School Work

Reports from the different towns in Halton County, in which High Schools are located, go to show that hundreds of parents are objecting to dancing being allowed in these halls of learning. Mr. Ralph Ross, principal of Georgetown High School, has issued the following statement, which speaks for itself: "I think it fair to the management of the school that the public should know that the dance that a few of the boys have arranged, has been undertaken entirely against my wishes. Such an event is not in keeping with the kind of work a High School should do, and our pupils cannot afford to have their attention take up in that way."

Canadians in New York

The Canadian Club in New York is the centre of activity for Canadians living in New York and vicinity, and its interest and relief activities among the veteran Canadian soldiers has been commendable. The officers are endeavoring to get in contact with Canadians in New York, not already members of the Club, and request that those having relatives or friends living in New York City and vicinity, or in New Jersey, communicate their names and addresses to the undersigned secretary in order that they may be invited to enjoy the privileges and advantages which the club affords. Address: Thomas D. Neelands, Chairman, The Canadian Club of New York, Pershing Square and 42nd Street, New York City.

University Course Available to Teachers

The University Extension Department of Toronto University has formulated a plan by which Public School teachers in Ontario who are ambitious to proceed to an Arts degree without discontinuing their teaching may do so. The teachers' course has been recently expanded so as to allow for more options than have been practicable in the past. This expansion has been made possible because of the greatly increased number of teachers who are now taking advantage of the service which the Provincial University offers them. The standard of the course has not been lowered in any way—no teacher has ever asked for a course less difficult than that taken by students in regular attendance—but a great choice of subjects is now provided. A degree thus non-extra-murally by the hard work necessary to a non-resident student, is just as worthy and of equally high standing as those conferred upon resident students taking the four years' course without any work outside the college.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Dominion Government has entered into negotiations with the Australian Government looking to preferential trade between Canada and Australia. This should be regarded with favor by our manufacturers in Canada.

The Provincial Government has thought better of the suggestion to impose a gasoline tax, and decided not to do it. There's wisdom in that decision. The members of the motor fraternity are surely paying their share of public taxes, already about \$2,000,000 in license fees.

Officially revised figures of census returns for the Dominion bring the total population to 8,760,489, as compared with 7,206,643 in 1911, an increase of 1,562,846. An increase of twenty-two per cent. in Canada's population in ten years is surely very creditable.

County Council should take advantage of the Government's offer to reforestation and plant trees in some of the waste places. They would set a good example to individual farmers. Canada needs trees to-day, and the next generation is going to need them a lot more than we need them.—Farmers' Sun.

The fight for the removal of the British embargo on Canadian cattle has been transferred from this side of the Atlantic to the other. It will be an issue in the coming British elections. It is noteworthy that many members of Parliament, who a few months ago opposed the removal of the embargo, have now changed their opinions and are strongly advocating its removal.

London is planning to pay her Aldermen a stated salary. Then come along the School Board saying they want the same treatment for doing the city's business. There are numerous other boards and commissions, all of whom will get a hand in the pie as soon as possible. The City Council has started a big ball rolling that will be hard to stop.—Guelph Mercury.

By-laws have been passed by the Guelph City Council providing for submitting to the ratemakers on March 27 the question of permitting the Hydro Square, and whether they are in favor of electing the Mayor by general vote, instead of by the present system. There has been strong objection to the plan in vogue the past few years, of election of the Mayor by the Aldermen from among themselves.

HOW "THE MASTER" OUTWITTED HIMSELF

In stories that reflect the idiosyncrasy of the Irish character, the following is happily illustrated.

An Irish gentleman of another generation took it into his head that those in his employ were not serving him as they ought, more especially in the early morning, before any one was wakened. He determined, therefore, on a series of mischievous visits.

The second time he went abroad in the early morning, he saw in a field, known as Kilnmore, which bordered the avenue leading to his residence, and which had been empty the previous day, six unknown cattle quietly grazing.

He promptly drove the offending animals out of the field and down the avenue to the gate. There some large-legged boys from an adjacent cabin lent him ready and joyful assistance, and at the head of his ragged company, armed with sticks and branches, he personally conducted the trespassers to the village pound, and saw them securely shut in before returning, satisfied and untroubled, to breakfast.

"That's the way I'm served," he complained to his family, "that they herd of mine not troubling to mend my fences, and I'll give 'em the best dressing down 'ow's ever had in his life!"

There was, however, no need to go in search of the delinquent, for before breakfast was served, a message was brought in that the herd was still out, and that the boys were still out, and that the boys were still out, and that the boys were still out.

"I'm sorry to have to tell it to your honor," he began, humbly, "but there's six of your honor's cattle in the pound. I put them in Kilnmore last night, and they got on them well, and how they ate 'em went straight to me."

He got no further, for the master, who had with dimly restrained himself until then, had hastily retired to the dining-room, where he collapsed into a chair, and laughed until his family had fear of an impending apopleptic seizure.

"There's no more to be said," he said, "and I'll give 'em the best dressing down 'ow's ever had in his life!"

THE TELEPHONE GIRL

Immediately after the roof of the Knickerbocker Theatre in Washington, D. C., caved in under the weight of snow a man who was standing outside of the building went into a telephone booth and told "Central" what had happened. The telephone girl did the rest.

This girl realized the situation, communicated the information to other members of the office force, and within ten minutes seventy-two physicians reading in the Columbia exchange directory where was located the theatre, were told of the disaster, every hospital and first aid agency in the city was notified, a report was made to the War Department and to the municipal government offices, and the work of rescue and relief was almost instant.

In France the telephone girl proved her courage and resourcefulness in war. She has since been decorated under other conditions of emergency and of peril. In flood, in famine, in fire and in riot she has been called upon to do her duty, and she has shown the stuff that is in her.

We fear that we do not always remember these things in our daily conversation with "Central." Sometimes, however, when we do think of them we are sorry that we have blameworthy things beyond her control such as the fact that the telephone of a friend is busy when we want to talk to him, and that perchance we are given the wrong number when the fault lay not with the telephone girl's nearly infallible ear, but with our mumbling manner of speech. We hope we have made amends for a somewhat frequent use of heavy but really unimportant words.—Chicago Evening Post.

NO BIRDS, NO FORESTS

Insects are among the worst enemies of the human race. They cost us millions of dollars worth of farm crops annually in Canada and their destruction of timber in the forests is also very heavy. The officers of the Dominion Department of Agriculture and of the Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior are constantly working to reduce the damage from this cause.

So far as the general public is concerned, and this applies particularly to boys and girls, the best help they can give is to protect the birds. In some cases in England, owners have saved their planted forests by putting up bird-houses and inducing certain kinds of birds to come to their plantations. In Canada in the past insects have been kept in control by birds. If the birds are destroyed or driven away, the insects multiply exceedingly and the farms and the forests suffer. Cuts are invested in bird-killing and cat owners both in the city and the country should be on the alert to prevent such destruction.

RIDDLES AND SUCH

What will turn without moving? Milk.

Why is an aviator's man like one with a short memory? Because he is always forgetting.

"Do you know, Miss Fanny, I believe I could sit and talk to you for ever?" "Yes, I believe you could."

Coras: "Are you sure you will be able to support me, dear?" Merritt: "Why, yes. It's cheaper to be married than engaged."

Dinah: "How beautiful am I do you mean to-night? It fills me full of delight!" Meese: "Yes, it looks like a slice of watermelon!"

A librarian says that some subscribers are uncertain whether the book they want is "The Hinkitt Minister," by Crockett, or "The Crockett Minister," by Hinkitt.

TO GIVE PLANTS AN EARLY START

We have devised a scheme which you have used for several years on our farm and find it very successful. It is an arrangement for giving plants an early start in the spring.

A small crate, with a light bottom, is made to receive a number of tin cylinders. Put these in between the top and bottom from regular vegetable cans. This can be done by placing a can on the stove on its end until the heat melts the solder which is used to blow will knock it off.

These cylinders are placed on end in the crate and filled with the soil desired. The seeds are planted in them and the crate with its contents is kept in the warmth until it is time for the plants to be reset in the garden soil.

One side of the crate lifts out of slots. A flat piece of tin is slid under it and placed in the hole in the ground that has been prepared for it. Dirt is then pressed in about the cylinder, which is then lifted upward, leaving the contents in the soil. We have tried other schemes, but none were so efficient as this.—E. C. G.

THE BRAIN'S BALANCE-WHEEL

Using it unconsciously, we are apt to forget that the brain is an extremely delicate mechanism which may be thrown out of its accustomed track by anything out of the ordinary.

The sense of balance is one of the functions of the mechanism which we have developed by constant use, and which we employ unconsciously. Homing pigeons find that unusual surroundings impair its proper usage.

Rough, for example, is the effect of looking down from a high building when one is unaccustomed to heights. The eye notes the sheer drop into space, and unconsciously transmits a "fear message" to the brain, which, in turn, suggests the trouble by disturbing the delicate fluid which acts as a "balance wheel."

As a result the person becomes dizzy, and is as prone to fall as if he had been whirled around rapidly a number of times.

THE DOCTOR'S REVENGE
A young doctor was summoned as a witness in a case that depended on technical evidence. The opposing counsel was inclined to be sarcastic at the time of so young a doctor being called.

"You are familiar," he said, "with the symptoms of concussion of the brain?" "Yes," replied the doctor. "Then, if Mr. Smith and myself collided, and he landed our heads together, should we get concussion of the brain?" "Mr. Smith might," said the doctor.

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