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'Abroad With the Press Party'
A souvenir most interesting and highly-prized has been received this week from Mr. A. E. Calman, of the Gazette, Picton. Mr. Calman has printed the letters he wrote for his paper respecting the overseas-visit of the members of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association last summer, in a neat booklet of eighty pages, and has given it the title, "Abroad With the Press Party." It is a very neat brochure, and will be highly prized by the members of the Editorial Party who accompanied the author.

Business Reported to be Improving
The statements issued the past few weeks by financial institutions were on the whole of a reassuring character. The profits reported the equal to those of the previous year, and are substantially in excess of the regular dividend requirements, but practically no additional payments have been made to shareholders. Surplus earnings have been generally applied in writing down the value of premises and real estate, and in providing for contingencies. Indications point to a gradual improvement of business conditions.

Benefits Already From Church Union Activities
It is said that as a result of the agitation regarding church union, large numbers of men and women who were seldom in attendance at public worship, are now regular attendants and generous contributors. Judging by utterances of individuals and the composition of delegations to protest against the proposed changes in the O. T. A., an equally large number of men and women not heretofore active in behalf of temperance, will become abstainers and lend their support to the cause. The future course of some of the present-day advocates of temperance will be followed by those who have borne the burden and heat of the day. "By their fruits ye shall know them."—Brampton Conservator.

EDITORIAL NOTES
The Federal Minister of Justice has introduced an amendment to the Canada Temperance Act to prevent the importation of liquors into Provinces that have repealed prohibition and adopted Government Control.

The ratepayers of Oakville will vote on a proposal to establish a gas plant in that town fixing the assessment of the plant at \$1.00 for ten years. What the people get in return for this concession is a chance to buy and pay for gas.

Acton is just what you make it. If you don't like the town, you will probably find that the town doesn't like you. But if you have the right attitude, then you will find the community friendly. It is a mirror in which you will find a reflection of your own disposition.

A citizen who favors the enforcement of only the laws for which he has voted, and in the principle and wisdom of which he agrees, is not a law-abiding citizen of democracy. He has something of the autocratic spirit. He is willing to govern but not to be governed. He is not willing to play the game according to the rules of the game.—Ex-President William Howard Taft.

Supported by a rapidly mounting flood of evidence, members of the House of Commons are more hopeful than ever of getting legislation passed this session to curb, if not completely suppress, the illegal handbook game and the publication of race-track odds hundreds of miles from the race-track. It is believed that the Senate would hardly dare to veto the bill again this year.

The legislation proposed by the Ontario Government violates the basic principle of the Ontario Temperance Act. It transgresses the will of the majority of the people as they expressed themselves at the polls last October. It makes Ontario wet, and no legal casuistry of either Premier Ferguson or his skillful Attorney-General will be able to get around that fact.—St. Mary's Journal.

"I have every confidence in the Conservative administration. I believe that its record has demonstrated its honesty. I propose to give that administration a fair trial and if I find that intoxication is increased by the present suggested amendment to the Ontario Temperance Act, I will very gladly take such steps as I may consider necessary to ask for its repeal."—C. R. McKeown, M. P. P. for Dufferin.

If we are to be guided by the newspapers throughout Ontario, and they are a fairly good guide, the business and farm prospects for 1925 are very bright and encouraging. Manufacturers in general look hopefully to a revival of trade and financial institutions say that prospects are bright for a prosperous 1925. Let us all look on the bright side, anyway. Our individual attitude has much to do with the general conditions.

The largest individual shipment of cattle that has been sent from Western Canada in more than fifteen years left recently for St. John, New Brunswick, for shipment overseas. The shipment of 700 head are going to Glasgow, Manchester and Belgium. Five hundred of the number are store cattle going to Manchester and Glasgow and 200 are butcher cattle going to Belgium. A further shipment is to be made to Great Britain in a few weeks.

Speaking at the 25th annual convention of the Ontario Fall Fairs and Exhibitions held in Toronto a couple of weeks ago, Hon. John S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture, warned the delegates from the Fall Fairs of the province that they must make their racing events supercede the main object of the exhibitors. "These things had their places, he said, but they should not be the centre of attraction.

Maple trees in Canada produced sugar and syrup to the value of \$3,901,141 in 1924 according to a report issued by the Dominion Department of Agriculture. This was the highest return in ten years. Sixty thousand farmers in the four Eastern provinces were engaged in the maple sugar industry last year, according to the report, and only one-half of the available sugar maples in this area were made productive. Efforts are being made by the department to stimulate the maple sugar industry.

Neighborhood News—Town and Country

ERIN
A box social will be held at Coningsby School, No. 5, Erin, on Friday evening, February 27.
The Presbyterian Sunday School held their annual sleigh-ride on Tuesday evening, February 24.

MILTON
The preacher last Sunday in the Methodist Church was Rev. N. Argyle Fairbairn, of Ferguson. The pastor of the Methodist Church, Mr. J. J. Peacock, is in the city on business.

GEORGETOWN
Miss Eva Winfield has entered Post Hope Hospital where she will train for a nurse.

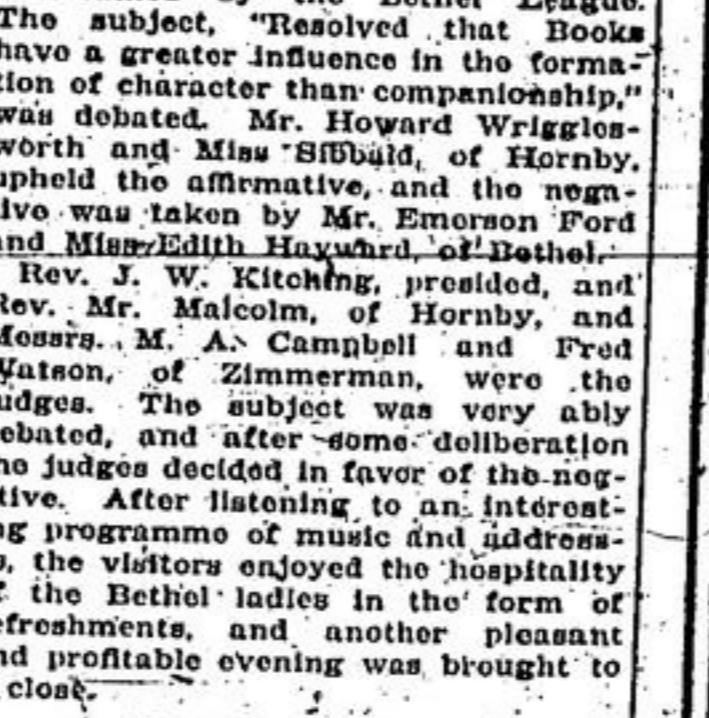
BURLINGTON
The women have issued invitations for their first annual dance to be held in the Oddfellows' Hall, on Friday evening, February 27.

A SELF-CONTAINED 'CROWD'
Mr. James O'Neill, the actor, tells of meeting "a crowd" in the West. "It was in the West," O'Neill one day found himself at a small station where he would have to wait several hours for another train.

NOT A CLERICAL MISSION
Of a certain bishop, famous as one of the planters in England, the Liverpool Post tells the following. One day, as this homely parson sat in an omnibus, he was amazed by the silent staring of a tall, gaunt man, who presently said: "You're a parson, ain't you?"

NO-SIDE ISSUES
A story in Forest and stream about the power and attentiveness of Purpura. An old negro was fishing for bluegills in a marsh. He had a hook in his hand and he had a fish on the hook. He looked at it, and threw it away. "When I go home," he said, "I'll go home."

Canadian Big Game for Austrian Alps



Here are seen some fine specimens of mountain sheep, photographed near Banff, Alberta. These are the same that have been sent to the Austrian Alps as trophies for the big game animals.

At Banff railway station recently a small official gathering, including the local press, met to bid adieu to six worthy members of the Own Alpine Club. They had never before been in the Canadian Rockies they had watched and heard the trains that day by day smoothly and for on the world's greatest highway. Indeed so close to the railway track did they often stand that the people in passing heard the unique pleasure of seeing these hardy mountaineers ascending and descending the cliffs and crags of their native mountains.

For they were the famous "Big Horn" the wild sheep of Canada's great mountain region. Lodged in a lighted crates, accommodated in a roomy Dominion Express car, they were consigned to a large estate high up in the Alps of Austria where they will have liberty to roam in a congenial environment and where, it is hoped, they may in course of time multiply and become as abundant as the rocks that feed on the Alpine meadows near Lake Louise and that wander upon the sunny slopes of the Yoho Valley.

HER BLESSING
There is always a possibility that the person whom we regard as a proper object for sympathy may look upon himself in another light. This interesting and instructive surprise often awaits the well-meaning bearer of condolence messages.

RIDDLES
Why is a slippery sidewalk like a piano? Because if you don't C it, you will S it.
What is the last thing a person does before getting into bed? He takes his feet off the floor.

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