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EDITORIAL

Canada's Market with Japan

increased more than \$3,500,000 during 1925, setting a new record for foreign trade between the Orient and Canada, according to the annual report published by the Japanese consulate at Vancouver. The total volume of trade was \$33,125,000, of which \$25;-162,278 was in exports from Canada and \$7,962,029 in imports from Japan. The increase in export crease was more than \$1,000,000. Recent trade volumes have been: 1924, \$30,274,100; 1923, \$27,735, 524. The volume of exports has grown from \$21,161,-000 in 1923, to the present mark of \$25,163,000.

Semi-Centennial of the Chesley Enterprise The year 1876 saw the launching of the Chesley a year after the ACTON FREE PRESS made its bow to the public. The Enterprise has enjoyed a successful career, and especially during the thirty-five years it has been under the editorial and-business control of William McDonald, the versatile worker and brilliant orator of Bruce County. There is ample evidence that the praiseworthy efforts of the Enterprise in advancing the interests of the constituency are appreciated, in the liberal advertising patronage and the large list of subscribers which it enjoys. Mr. Mc-Donald has given his best talents to the community, through his interesting paper, in the church, in social circles, in municipal government, and in parliamentary deliberations. He has shown an intelligent interest in all of these; was for years a member of the Town and County Councils; and was for several terms a member of the Provincial Legislature, representing his home constituency. Like some of his confreges, Mr. McDonald has had an able helpmeet in all his activities in his talented partner in life,

The Amusement Taxes

Mrs. McDonald, a daughter of the parsonage.

Reference has been made several times in these columns to the very general desire on the part of the public for the repeal of the amusement taxes on local games, entertainments and amusements. This eek the Federal Government of the United States is remitting \$9,000,000 largely to the working classes of that country. This is being done by abolishing amusement taxes on all admissions up to 75 cents. Last year the same government remitted \$40,000,000 by abolishing amusement taxes up to and including 50 cents. The total remissions to date are almost \$50,000,000. The Canadian people expect that they shall be treated with the same generosity as those in the United States. Our people are patriotic, of course, but they do not cordially approve of a form which has been condemned as "Class Taxation" by the governments of Great Britain, New Zealand, United States and other countries. Phelps, the great English actor, in his farewell speech to the people of on local amusements and entertainments.

Sees Much Good Resulting From the O. T. A.

Conservative newspapers in Ontario, and it voices the experience and observation of tens of thousands of Conservative electors in the province respecting the value of the Ontario Temperance Act in controllit as a beneficent piece of legislation which has position to take advantage of it. wrought obvious good to the province-obvious, that is to every one who sees with unbiased eyes. There people, social workers, magistrates and everybody \$97:12, and United States, \$67.39. with insight and a memory which goes back a decade for the evil, as every one knows."

The Laws Fits the Crime

Convicted of selling worthless stock, A. E. Hoffman-has been sentenced at Cayuga to serve two months in jail, and pay a fine of \$2,000. Such sentences should do something to curb the activities of the distributors of spurious securities. This case goes to prove that the law in respect to the selling of worthless stock provides punishment to fit the crime. The great difficulty is that most of these salesmen are clever enough to keep just outside the law, or to make it very difficult to prove that they have been contravening the law.

Campaign Funds from Liquor Interests

There appears to be much indignation by members of the Legislature over the suspicion caused by Georgetown Park. the motion of Hon. Mr. Raney to make it illegal for brewers, distillers and contractors to contribute to this morning. It is very attractive the teachers, and there is every indiparty campaign funds, and many are hastening to and a credit to the business district cation that the Oakville night classes protest against the imputation of any such contributions. Virtuous indignation is all very well, but Mission Band of the United Church the distillers and French wine makers know full well Caldwell made her little granddaughthe thousands of dollars they put up, not only to de. ter, Elizabeth Vivien Marie Agnew, of feat the temperance vote in the "Referendum," but Georgetown Band. She was presentto elect candidates whose sympathies were "wet." ed with a Life Membership Certificate Wheeler, of Glenwilliams, last week, There was no secret made of the matter, the French- gon continuous datay. men even boasting of the amount of their contribu- wing to ill health, Mr. J. Waldie, Mr. Charles, C. O'Hara, of Toronto. tions, hence the indignation now being put forward and assumption of ignorance is doubly ridiculous.—

Beaverton Express.

principal of the Georgetown Public School, has resigned, his resignation taking effect last Friday. It is Annie by Miss Madeline Mullin. Miss Ivy School staff here for a number of Andrew Wheeler groomstrap. The

Consumption of Liquor Under Government Control Mrs. E. C. Thompson, a former mem-The extent of the consumption of liquor by Am- Miss Ryan's room. Herald. erican tourists in Canadian cities where liquor is procurable is seen in the drink bill in the city of Vancouver, B.C. At the recent session of the legis- The list of the prize winners in the lature of British Columbia the attorney-general, an- was published last Wednesday. W. swering some questions, gave the figures from March J. McClenahan won the fifth prize, to September, which covered the period when automobile traffic was at its height. According to these Bank, Winnipeg, arrived here last figures the drink bill for this one city alone in six months was \$3,508,632.48. If the same volume of The volume of trade between Canada and Japan consumption were kept up all year round the annual drink bill would be over \$7,000,000. But the half afternoon of last week, when they held year figures will do to show what an enormous consumption there is in Vancouver which has a popula- to G. Downs. I. Sanders has sold his tion of about 100,000. In six months the liquor re- has purchased the Cottrell property on ceipts of the government dispensary were more than Bronte Street. \$3,500,000, while in the whole of Ontario, with a population of 2,933,000, the receipts at the government ter. Viola Margaret Isabell, to Mr. S. alone was nearly \$2,000,000, and in imports the in- dispensary were \$5,014,000 for a whole year. It is the same in Winnipeg where the Americans drive up from Minneapolis and St. Paul and other American cities and spend large sums of money at the liquor Brodle, of Milton. The marriage will and repair on the roads in the towndispensary.-Alliston Herald. And the Herald might have added in its comparative statement against sold his business to A. L. McNabb, pointed as follows: Geo. Rodgers, J. Government Control that the reason the United States tourists come into Canada at Vancouver and We are about to lose a good citi-Winnipeg for liquor is because they have prohibi- zen in the person of Mr. A. E. Wrig- Jessop. Enterprise on the sea of journalism in Ontario-just tion in the United States, as we have in Ontario, and posed of his residence in Shelburne, Enery, G. D. Scott, S. E. Smith, Alex. cannot get liquor freely there as they can do in the Canadian cities named,

EDITORIAL NOTES

Massey-Harris stock keeps moving up in value. Wasn't this one of the agricultural implement con- from Dr. Anderson, M.P., from Otcerns that was being ruined by lack of adequate protection?-Kingston Whig.

A debt-free Ontario in forty years would be some thing to cheer about, as it would be even in twice that time. Somehow or other nowadays it's difficult to imagine a province or a municipality free of debt Still it ought not to be classed as impossible. At on Main Street, formerly a shoe facleast, it's worth trying for.-Guelph Mercury.

His Excellency the Governor-General has appointed, by Royal Proclamation, the days April 18 to 24, son Bay Wool Co. has closed its sales inclusive, as Save-the-Forest-Week. Last year a week large stock of woollen goods, including at about the same period was designated for this blankets, knitted wear, etc., into the purpose. There was a loyal enthusiastic response to the proclamation, and much good resulted from the work done.

People overseas express surprise at the extentwhich Canadians rely upon the telephone. They ning an excursion to England in July, usually are thinking in terms of purely local service. go. They would be astonished to hear that in Ontario and Quebec alone the average daily use of the long day night, under the auspices of the distance telephone in 1925 was 46,727 messages?

One of the returns asked for in the House of Commons this term is not likely to be complied with. of a ladles' night, which in every way It would require three and a half years to complete it, and would cost over \$21,000. An investigating but Mr. James Whetham has disposed of inconsiderate member asked for all the correspondence, documents, etc., in relation to claims arising on March 1st. Mr. Whetham has been

Analysis of the Legislature vote on the Brackin London years ago, said: "The amusement of the Government Control proposal shows that of the ten people is a very important item in the composition members who voted for it, nine represent constitu- Rev. G. W. Tebbs delivered his lecof our social system." The amusement taxes of the encies which gave majorities for Government contro Canadian provinces should be repealed at the earliest at the last plebiscite. R. L. Brackin, K. C., Liberal, by School, Oakville, on Saturday evenpossible moment, especially where they are imposed West Kent, the mover of the resolution, comes from a riding which voted against Government Control.

Under the provisions of a bill that was passed and spend a social hour. During the The Hamilton Spectator is one of the strongest by the Municipal Committee of the Ontario Legislature last week any municipality is empowered pass slight token of the osteom in which a by-law permitting ratepayers who so desire to pay their taxes in advance and receive interest at five per cent: per annum for doing so. This looks like ing the liquor traffic. It says: "There are plenty an equitable arrangement for both the municipalof people who voted for prohibition who still regard ity and for thrifty citizens who may be in a financial

It is really refreshing to learn from a reliable are abuses, no doubt, arising from the fact that the official source, after hearing so much about Canlaw, duly endorsed by the community, is being vio- ada's high taxation, that Canada's taxation per capilated, because of half-hearted support on the part ta is the lowest in the world. In a recent statement retired feeling as well as usual, and of those who are themselves persuaded of its merits. in the Canadian House of Commons, Hon. James Even with this half-hearted support, however, a A. Robb, Minister of Finance, cited some compari- morning to-enquire after him, she great deal has been accomplished, as all fair-minded sons, which gave total per capita taxation paid in found life extinct. The late E. B. critics have to admit. Let the bankers, insurance Canada at \$66.11; Australia, \$69.68; Great Britain, the farm now occupied by his brother.

or so, give unprejudiced testimony on this point, and The latest official figures show that Canada has the degree of failure, of which so much is heard, will 40,261 miles of railway in operation. In 1900 the appear comparatively insignificant. As for the "boot- total was 17,657. In the provinces of Western Canleggers and blind-piggers," there have always been ada during the past five years the operating mileindividuals who would sacrifice their self-respect and age has been increased by 1,285. This has been done Trinky United Church,—Gazette. honor for the sake of gam, and they would be at the in order to provide needed facilities for new dissame or any other equally neferious business under tricts opened up for settlement in Western Canada. Government Control. Provinces which have adopted About 500 miles of new railway lines are under conthat particular system have found that it is no cure struction. Canada has more railway mileage per why a man who can't possibly get capita than any other country in the world

Neighborhood News--

Lown and Country

GEOR GETOWN Mr. and Mrs. James Aberdeen, of

Miss Clara Speight, of New York, is Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Speight. H. W. Hinton has disposed of his lewellery business to T. S. Wilson, ate of Toronto and Sudbury. town, on Friday evening, April 9th.

N. H. Brown, baker and confection- have flourished in a manner quite er, opened his new store on Main St. satisfactory to the promoters and to

of our town. At a very interesting meeting of the the eductional system.-Record. held on Monday afternoon last, Mrs. Chentu, China, a Life Member of the and Life Member's pin-a white and when their eldest daughter, Margaret-

principal of the Georgetov: a Public The young couple took their position years, has been appointed prinuntil the summer holidays.

Mail and Empire "B" word contest

More than the usual success wa scored by the Ladies' Aid of Knox score stood .40-33 in favor of Erin. Presbyterian Church on Wednesday

their annual St. Patrick's Bazaar. G. Murdock has sold his residence residence to S. Fay, and G. Roberts The sam was denated by friends and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Trimble an-

nounce the engagement of their daugh-Thomas Delvin, of Milton, the marraige to take place quietly in April-Mr. and Mrs. James Lloyd announce construction on the roads in Erin the engagement of their eldest daugh - Township, during the year 1926. \$9,ter. Dorothy Annie, to William John | 000 will be spent upon maintenance

E. B. Graham, shoe merchant, has C. M. Beswick, Joal Leslie, Wesley

glesworth, plumber. He recently diswhere his family has been residing McKinnon, Jr., Henry Moore, Archie since he came to Milton, and as he McGill, John C. Awrey, W. R. Bingcarnot find a sultable house here ham, Leslie Webb, Norman Davis. A. here in which to move his family, he Thompson, Duncan S. Sinclair, James has decided to move to Islington, McKitrick. where, he says, there is an opening Re the proposal to erect the pro-

Office lawn, word has been received Division: John Allen. tawa, that that site is not available, as are: North Division: Archie Reid; the postal authorities say they may South Division: Hugh Reid; East Direquire the ground for an addition to vision: Norman Ferguson; West Dithe present building, possibly for a vision: Henry Moore. customs building. In that case, it is very probable that -Victoria Park will be selected as the place in which to Arthur, in his 41st year, at the home

The machinery of the Milton Worsted Yarn Spinning Mills Co. is being September, but not until a few weeks emoved from the large brick building tory, in which it has been operated of some time, to the brick buildings opposite the C.P.R. station, bought Township. He is survived by two from P. L. Robertson Co. some time sisters: Margaret McArthur, and Mrs. ago and partially occupied. The Hudoffice at Toronto, and is moving its Main Street building .- Champion.

BURLINGTON

Burlington citizens contributed \$84 in the canvass for funds for the Mus-The Daughters of England are run-

The social evening held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Stevens on Thurs-Daughters of England, was a splendid The regular luncheon of the Lions'

Club was held at the Village Inn last Wednesday night, and took the form proved a most enjoyable and success-

his butcher business to the Quality Meat Shop, Ltd., who took possession retained as manager of the new firm. 'A meeting of the Halton County Baseball League will be held in the Fire Hall, Burlington, on Tuesday evening, April 18th, at 8 o'clock, to elect officers and make arrangements for the coming season.

ture on "Ceylon, the Pearl Drop on the Brow of India," to the boys at Appel-

About twenty-five members of the Women's Institute paid a surprise isit to Mrs. J. G. Church on Thursday evening last, to bid her farewell evening Mrs. Church was presented

The Town Council held a private session on Monday evening to consider the Hydro Radial situation. The question was discussed at some length, but no resolution was passed outlining the town's attitude, as requested by the meeting held at Toronto. Mayor Allen and Reeve Nicholson were appointed to represent the town and instructed to oppose the building of the Hydro Radial on the old plan. Mr. E. B. Freeman, one of the town's

oldest and most esteemed residents. dled suddenly at his home on Brant Street last Wednesday. The deceased when Mrs. Tracy Freeman, his daughter-in-law, went into the foom in the Freeman was born in Burlington on Smith Freeman, and was eigthy years of age. He was one of the ploneer at the west end of the town, was named after the family. For many years, together with another brother. he conducted the general store and the Post Office at Freeman, later retiring from business life. He was a Liberal in politics, and a devoted member of

BUT ITS TRUE

OAKVILLE

Dr. Lebio Coleman, lecturer at the University of Toronto, addressed the ed Church furnished the programm Lions' Club at their semi-monthly for the Young People's Society here on luncheon at the Gibson House on Fri- Friday evening. An enjoyable evening

"hard-time" party. The crowd of Mr. Henry Hilts, who was ill for merrymakers were most hospitably en- a few days, is able to be out again. spending the week with her parents, tertained and there were many original and unique costumes. The evening clusses at the High School will be held for the last time for this season Thursday. In compli-A sacred concert will be given in ance with the resolution adopted by golf, and this was his answer: Knox Presbyterian Church, George- the Industrial and Advisory Committee early in the season, the school will when I put the ball where I could see Isn't it about time for the annual be closed before the Spring seasons it I could not reach it; and when I meeting of the Chamber of Commerce? opens, with its counter attractions, put it where I could reach it, I could A big programme of athletic sports which prove disastrous to the attend- not see it." are being arranged for July 1st in the fance role. The venture has proven to be most successful and the classes

will remain a permanent feature of

GLENWILLIAMS

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John ta, was united in holy wedlock to Andrew Wheeler groomsman. The ceremony was performed, in the presence of members of the family and ber of the staff will have charge of relatives, by Rev. Mr. Douglas, of Norval, after which the entire company sat down to tables laden with delicacles. Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara left by the 9.21 radial for Guelph and other points west. A large company of Rebeccas saw them off at the station with the usual wishes for a long, happy and prosperous future.—Herald.

the Erln curlers last Friday morning and afternoon, on the day's play the Hillsburg rink No. 2 won both the morning and afternoon games, while rink No. 1 lost both.

On Saturday last a purse of \$250.75 was presented to Mr. Elwood Peavoy. neighbors throughout the neighborhood and in the village to assist him in the erection of a house to replace the one recently burned on his farm. township rate for expenditure upon The fence viewers have been ap-Davis, Geo. C. Burt, E. T. Barbour,

Sheep Valuators were appointed as follows: West Division: L. Awrey; East Division: Robt Kirkwood; North posed Soldiers' Morporial on the Post Division: Frank McAllister; South The Wire Fence Inspectors for 1926

> On Monday, March 22nd, the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. Wm. Tarzwell. Deceased had been ailing since ago did it appear very serious. He Gilbert McArthur, and was born on the homestead, lot 16, con. 2, Erin

Wm. Tarzwell.-Advocate.

BALLINAFAD

The Young People of Molville Unit A large number were present at the . Mr. Richard Shortill, Jr., has been home of S. G. Powley, Lakeshore laid up with a sore knee which he in-

West, last Thursday evening, at a jured with an axe while cutting wood.

A very stout and portly gentleman "I did try it once, but I found that

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