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THAT PETITION AGAIN

Last week we referred to a petition in circulation asking to reduce the sentence of Arthur Brooks, who was sentenced to seven months in the Central Prison for the part he took in holding up a young Englishman and relieving him of his money and a watch. The petition, as expected, has been extensively signed, but we have no idea what the effect will be when placed in the hands of the Minister of Justice.

We found no fault with those who signed the petition. We found no fault with those who refused to do so. We admire the fidelity of the distressed wife, and mother, who is fighting so strenuously for the liberty of her husband. Apart from all admiration and sympathy, there is another phase of the question that deserves consideration.

Crime should be punished, and the laws make provision for punishment. Are we to ignore all laws, and let every little community decide every little case according to its own whims and fancies? If laws are to be set at nought, we might as well have no laws, and let everybody run at his own sweet will.

We would like to ask all who signed the petition if they think the punishment was too severe. A simple 'yes' or 'no' will answer the question. And again, if your boy, landing in a strange land after midnight, four thousand miles from home, were similarly assaulted, would you sign the petition to give the assailant his liberty? We rather think you wouldn't do so.

If Brooks is not guilty, he shouldn't be in prison; if he is guilty, how much more leniently could any judge have acted? The magistrate thought he was guilty or he wouldn't have sent him up for trial; the judge thought he was guilty or he wouldn't have sent him to prison to serve a sentence of even seven months. The kind wife who is working for his liberty doesn't assert his innocence; the public, we believe, are all of one opinion that the accused was a party to the assault. Why, then, should we wish to have the accused liberated, and make it easier for another to commit a similar offense.

We do not believe there is a citizen in Durham who is not in sympathy with Mrs. Brooks and her children, and, moreover, we do not believe there would be a single person refuse to contribute to her support during her husband's imprisonment.

To us it would be gross inconsistency to preach, as we often have, against the light punishments imposed for offences, and then sign a petition asking for reprieve of one whose punishment we believe is not too severe. Again, in the face of the evidence, if Magistrate Telford had not committed him for trial, an awful howl would have gone up from the community, and the writer would have been one of the howlers.

Last week's Review says in part: "She (Mrs. Brooks) has encountered opposition in several places, and expects to meet more when she goes to the furniture factory, where it is said that the Methodist sentiment is strong against the petition." Why single out the Methodists? Is the remark to be regarded as a compliment to that sect for wishing to see law enforcement, or is it intended as a rebuke for not wishing the law to be ignored and allow wrong to go unpunished? We rather hope the Methodist church and all the other churches are actuated by higher motives than to attempt law evasion in any way.

As a matter of fact the petition was largely signed by employees of the furniture factory, and amongst those who signed it there was, we understand, a large Methodist element. Moreover, the petition was presented by the manager, Mr. Catten, who was himself one of the petitioners, and a Methodist into the bargain.

C.P.R. CENSURED BY CORONER'S JURY

An inquest conducted by coroner Gun was held on Friday last to inquire into the causes relating to the death of the late Mrs. John Reay. The jury consisted of Herb. Hunt, Geo. Cuff, Wm. McCulloch, Geo. Mighton, Geo. Noble, David Donnelly, Richard Hopkins, Chas. Lawrence and John Picken, the latter being chairman. Several witnesses were examined and the following verdict rendered:

"That Mrs. Mary Reay came to her death by being struck by engine of train 2026 going west from Durham on night of October 28, 1913.

"We find further that the engineer did not show proper caution in approaching this crossing; that he might have stopped his train in time to avert this accident had he realized a collision was going to take place.

"We find that this crossing, at which accident took place, is a dangerous one and that the railway company should be asked to put this crossing in a safer condition.

"We also instruct Coroner to forward a copy of this verdict to the Chairman of Railway Commission."

THE BREECHING BUSTED

On Friday of last week, while Mr. Alex. Rutherford was driving down the Durham hill, the breeching broke, and the horse became a little frisky. After jumping to the side of the road, Alex. thought it was best to jump, and let the horse go. When near the Midaugh House he slipped on the cement crossing and suddenly fell and was then easily captured. There wasn't much damage done.

PERSONAL

Mrs. A. W. H. Lauder is visiting in Owen Sound.

Mrs. Jas. Harkness and son, of Teeswater, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Morton.

Miss Janet McDonald of Priceville is visiting Miss Nellie Hepburn in town.

Miss Z. Crawford spent the latter part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Findlay, Dromore.

Mrs. J. Kinnee has returned to her home in Draxton, after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Kinnee for the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. N. McIntyre have returned from the west, where they spent a couple of months visiting members of their family.

Miss Clara Aljoe has been home from Toronto for the past week or so, and expects to be well enough shortly to resume her duties on the teaching staff.

Rev. Mr. McCausland, whose resignation we announced last week, has decided to accept the pastorate of the Baptist church in Palmerston.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Pettigrew and family, of Wilkie, Sask., have returned to this locality, and, we understand, intend remaining here. They are at present the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Morton, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Richardson of Owen Sound have taken up their residence in town. Mr. Richardson has been engaged in the furniture factory for the past year or so.

BORN.

McINTYRE.—At Edmonton, Alta., on Sunday, October 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Shirley McIntyre, a son.

HONOR ROLL FOR OCTOBER

- H. S. DEPT. Form III—A. Edge, M. Campbell and M. Findlay equal. F. McRraith, W. Barbour, Z. Crawford. Form H—E. Edge, R. Roberts, N. Marshall, R. Eccles, N. Lenahan. Form I—K. Ritchie, D. McAuley, L. Tisdale, C. McGirr, M. Smith, P. S. DEPT. Sr. IV—A. Cliff, C. Wakefield, G. Lawson, F. Catton, G. Search, Jr. IV—E. Whitmore, S. McCrae, E. Browning, W. Snell, L. Wilson. Sr. III—A. McKelvie, F. Lawrence, A. Jacob, S. McAuliffe, L. Chapman. Jr. III—R. Snell, V. Jacob, H. Falconer, A. Smith, J. Morlock. Sr. II—W. Mitchell, M. McGirr, W. Jacob, P. Walsh, M. McPhee. Jr. II—E. McQueen, E. Schütz, N. Falkingham and I. Elvidge equal. E. Search, M. Yiirs. Sr. I—M. Orr, C. McGirr, D. Graham, L. McDonald, J. Heppburn. Jr. I—E. McComb, M. Cliff, A. Allan, M. Duncan, M. Crutchley and V. Ryan equal.

SHE DID.

"Does your wife ever pay you any compliments?" asked Frederick A. Campbell the other day of his friend, Jerry Skelton. "Never!" replied Skelton. "Well, mine does. She flatters me." "Often?" "Oh, yes, frequently; particularly in winter," replied Frederick. "Why does she taffy you so much in winter?" "Whenever the coal fire needs replenishing she points to it and says, 'Frederick, the grate!'"

"I ATTRIBUTE MY CURE SOLELY

And Entirely To Taking "Fruit-a-lives"

HULL, QUE., DEC. 24th, 1909 "For the past twelve years, I had painful attacks of Dyspepsia. I could not digest my food and everything consumed the most agonizing pain in my stomach. I also had a fearful attack of constipation and at times, I had no movement of the bowels for two weeks. Three doctors attended me for two years and gave me all kinds of medicine but did me no good. My weight came to only 80 pounds and everyone thought I was going to die. Finally, I had the good fortune to try "Fruit-a-lives" and as soon as I began to take them, I felt better. I perspired in the treatment and to my great joy, I steadily improved. Now I feel very well, weigh 115 pounds, and this is more than I ever weighed even before my illness. I attribute my cure solely and entirely to "Fruit-a-lives" and can never praise them too much for saving my life. To all who suffer from Dyspepsia and Constipation, I recommend "Fruit-a-lives" as a miraculous remedy."

Mrs. ANDREW STAFFORD, 52c a box, for \$2.50, trial size 25c. At dealers or from Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

THE SUPFRAGISTS' DILEMMA.

I shall not vote for Mrs. Briggs. I do not like her gown; And I remember well the digs I got from Clara Brown.

Jemima Patterson Magee Shall get no vote of mine; A horrid stuck-up thing is she— And also I decline To vote for Anastasia Bruce, I fairly boil with rage When I recall that more than once She lied about my age.

And Mabel Jones and Agnes Carr And Clementina Ball, I'll scratch, because they never are "At home" the days I call.

I cannot vote, you understand, For Angelina Praxton, Because she isn't stylish, and She wears a last year's hat.

Oh, goodness me! That brings me through The List, This ballot's small, There's none left. What shall I do? I cannot vote at all!

RAIN ON THE ROOF.

When the humid shadows hover Over all the starry spheres, Gently weeps in rainy tears, What a bliss to press the pillow Of a cottage chamber bed And to listen to the patter Of the soft rain overhead.

Every tinkle on the shingles Wakes an echo in the heart; And a thousand dreamy fancies Into busy being start, And a thousand recollections Weave their air threads into woof

As I listen to the patter Of the rain upon the roof, Now in memory comes my mother As she used long years ago, To bend o'er the darling dreamers

Ere she left them till the dawn: Oh, I see her leaning o'er me, As I list to this refrain, Which is played upon the shingles By the patter of the rain.

Then my little seraph sister, With her smile and waving hair, And my star-eyed baby brother— Long gone from this world of care,

Glide around my wakeful pillow, Voicing love or mild reproof, As I listen to the murmur Of the soft rain on the roof,

And another comes to thrill me With her eyes of heavenly blue; And I mind not, musing on her, That her heart was all untrue: I remember but to love her With a passion kin to pain, And my heart's quick pulses vibrate To the patter of the rain.

Art hath not of tone or cadence That can work with such a spell In the soul's mysterious fountains, Where the tears of rapture swell

As that melody of nature, That subdued, subduing strain Which is played upon the shingles By the patter of the rain. —Coates Kinney.

AT THE MILLENNIUM.

Whenever men and women learn To be themselves from day to day, To spend no more than what they earn, Not caring what the neighbors say; When men can see another wear A finer raiment than they own And neither give a sigh nor care, When they can live their lives in debt, And when they cease to rush in haste To keep a little swifter pace, There will be less of vain regret And earth will be a happier place. —Detroit Free Press.

A petition is being circulated in Newmarket asking for a repeal of the local option by-law.

Elmira, a town of about 2,000 inhabitants, had the Hydro-electric current turned on last Thursday night.

Patrick Lyons was sent to the Central prison for two years by Judge Morgan, for training two women to acknowledge him as Lord and Master.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, N.Y., says that three bottles were found floating in the Hydraulic canal. One contained the message "Oct. 23, 1913.—Boat John S. Kirby sinking fast. (Sgd. Capt. Palmer.)"

Miss Evelyn Smith of Glasgow, Scotland, arrived in Toronto last week on her way to Winnipeg, where she is to marry J. E. Campbell, of Winnipeg. The bride is 76 and the groom 82. They have been engaged for 40 years.

Fifteen years ago when a school-boy in Orangeville, Jos. T. Hubbard, who is now a Toronto barrister, purchased an old fiddle in a music store, paying \$5 for it. Recently Mr. Hubbard took the instrument to a Toronto man to have it repaired, and was offered \$5,000 for the violin, which turned out to be a very valuable one, more than 300 years old.

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MARKET REPORT

DURHAM, AUG. 13 1913	
Fall Wheat	83 to 83
Spring Wheat	83 to 83
Milling Oats	38 to 38
Feed Oats	32 to 32
Peas	45 to 45
Barley	48 to 48
Hay	15 00 to 16 00
Butter	20 to 20
Eggs	28 to 28
Potatoes, per bag	75 to 75
Dried Apples	4 to 4
Flour, per cwt.	2 60 to 3 00
Oatmeal, per sack	2 40 to 2 40
Chop, per cwt.	1 10 to 1 25
Live Hogs, per cwt.	8 15 to 8 15
Hides, per lb.	9 to 10
Sheepskins	75 to 85
Wool	14 to 27
Lard	5 to 5
Tallow	16 to 16
Turkeys	18 to 18
Geese	11 to 11
Ducks	8 to 8
Chickens	10 to 10
Powls	7 to 7

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WE beg respectfully to intimate to the ladies of Durham and surrounding country that we have opened a Millinery establishment in the rooms directly over the post office, and shall be pleased to cater to requirements for all kinds of headwear and Millinery accessories. We keep constantly on hand, a large supply of Millinery necessities, and invite inspection from intending purchasers.

Miss M. Brown

HEPWORTH CHILD SCALDED. A sad fatality occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Kirkland. On Saturday afternoon, a pail containing boiling water had been set on the floor for scrubbing, and while getting cold water to put into the pail, their youngest child, a boy a year and nine months old, fell into the pail and was terribly scalded. He lived for about 24 hours, dying on Sunday evening. The funeral took place on Tuesday and was largely attended.—Hepworth Progress.

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