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THE VILLAGE BARBER.
 In a sweet Ontario village whose chief industry is tillage, I sought a barber shop to get my hair cut. I didn't find the hair man, but a note tacked on the chair ran: "Lam the stove-pipe if you want me. Charley Faircut."

So I hit the pipe and waited, till a girl came in, who stated: "Say, paw he's busy now out in the barn yard. He's workin' like a fool, clippin' ol' Hank Ramsey's mule. You're the next one, but I'll bet that you get darn tired." Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CITIES BLAMED FOR DECREASE ONTARIO'S BIRTH RATE.

The little scantily-clad gentleman known as Cupid spent a busy 12 months in 1912, his efforts in Ontario bringing an increase of 3,038 marriages, or at the rate of 0.9 per thousand population; but in spite of this fact the provincial birth rate continues on the downward grade. The report of the Registrar-General, which will shortly be issued, shows a birth rate of only 22.4, the lowest since 1903 and two points below 1911.

The responsibility for Ontario's declining birth rate apparently rests with the cities and towns. The cities with a record of 22,929 marriages were able to report only 15,917 births, while the rural municipalities of the province, with 10,910 marriages, had 32,023 births, or a considerably better percentage.

The total number of births in Ontario was 50,570, with 28,845 marriages. The province is still making progress in the reduction of its death rate, and now has a rate lower than most of the leading countries of the world. During 1912 there were 32,150 deaths, a ratio of 12.4 per thousand, or 2.2 lower than in 1911.

The saddening part of the report, that dealing with illegitimate births, shows an increase of 168, bringing the rate up to 21.3 per thousand births. The cities of the province contributed 72 per cent. of the illegitimacy.

The records show less marrying between Protestants and Roman Catholics, 820 men and 1,096 women of the Catholic church marrying outside their faith. Almost two-thirds of the marriages are contracted between the ages of 20 and 30. A number of unusual marriages were recorded: a man of 25 marrying a woman over 70. Three women under 30 years of age married men over 70.

The fight against the "white plague" is making steady headway, although the reduction in the death rate from this disease was less in 1912 than in several years previous. The death list was 2,250, a decrease of 103, and a reduction in ratio of .05 per cent. At the present time about 1 per cent. of the deaths in Ontario are due to tuberculosis, and the heaviest toll is taken on young people of between 20 and 30.

It will astonish some people to know that 1 out of every 10 children born in Ontario dies before reaching five years of age. In 1912, 8,230 children under the age of five years died, 6,494 of them before completing the 12th month, a rate of 110.3 per thousand and births. There were 290 less deaths from diarrhoea than in 1911, the rate from this dangerous infant trouble being the lowest in six years, due largely to the greater interest taken in child welfare and in educating young mothers to take more intelligent care of their children.

CANADA THREATENED WITH MOTH AND WEEVILS.

Canada is threatened with the potato tube moth and the alfalfa weevil. The potato tube moth is a native of California, while the alfalfa weevil hails from Utah. In an effort to prevent the spread of these two decidedly destructive and dangerous pests within Canadian borders, Dr. C. D. Gordon Hewitt, Dominion Entomologist, has visited the States of their respective origin and has just returned from a trip there and to Western Canada, studying methods of inspection and quarantine against these insect destroyers. Both of them were introduced accidentally into the United States, the former from Europe, and are causing serious losses to agriculturists. Dr. Hewitt also reported that one pest, the eel-worm, had already commenced its ravages in certain localities which he visited in Southern Alberta, which are considered to be the best wheat sections in that province, farmers reported the threshing out of but one to five or six bushels to the acre, where the average yield is usually over thirty bushels. Arrangements have been made for an immediate investigation into the matter and for carrying out a series of experiments in the immunization of crops against the eel-worm.

ORDERED OUT OF PRIVATE CAR

Thirty delegates from Norfolk county coming to the Sunday School Convention in Owen Sound were turned out of the private car which they had engaged, and made to transfer to one of the regular coaches at Sauguen Junction on the C. P. R. last night. The delegates had formed a party to come together so that the special car could be secured, and any change of cars avoided. They were taken by surprise when the conductor ordered them out when the train was nearing Sauguen Junction. The only excuse the official gave was that he wanted to "send the car back." Naturally the delegates are indignant at the treatment they received, and will make complaint of the passenger department on the road. Their experience on the C. P. R. will not tend to make Owen Sound popular as a convention centre. There is no excuse for the action of the conductor, for the train was running on the new time table, which gives them 5 hours and 25 minutes to cover the 120 miles between Toronto and Owen Sound. Surely with this extension of time the company can allow their passengers to take the trip without herding them about like sheep in order to save the expense of hauling an extra car.—Owen Sound Sun.

SOUTH BRUCE GOES LIBERAL

The by-election in South Bruce went Liberal, Mr. Truax being elected by 124 of a majority. Though a by-election, and having the Government forces being a surprise. The vacancy was caused by the elevation of the sitting member, Mr. J. J. Donnelly, to a position in the Senate. As the constituency is naturally Liberal, and Mr. Donnelly's majority being only 103, and the turnover being caused no doubt by the reciprocity issue, it is not hard to conceive of the electors returning to their former political allegiance under normal conditions.

The German element was worked for all it was worth against the Borden Navy Bill, and the Roman Catholics naturally preferred a co-religionist as their leader and wielded an influence in favor of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The candidates were both good men, and both popular where known. Mr. Truax was an able campaigner, stumped the constituency several times, and was personally acquainted with the bulk of the electorate. On the other hand, Mr. Cargill was a new man, and the campaign just closed was his first political experience. Moreover, Mr. Truax is a resident of Walkerton, the most densely populated portion of his constituency, and the personality of the man won him many votes that under different circumstances would have gone Conservative.

The result was not a surprise, and notwithstanding the Government charges against the expenditure of money and their determination to win at any cost, the result shows out on a clean basis. Though a loser in the contest, Mr. Cargill is to be congratulated on the able fight he made and the splendid success he achieved in the face of such opposing influences.

RATHER CONFUSING.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's statement that if entrusted with power again he will reduce the cost of living by lowering the tariff and that he will also "build more railways" will also be confusing even to the most ardent and devoted Liberals. Presumably if Sir Wilfrid, given the opportunity, should lower the tariff to such an extent as to appreciably reduce the cost of living some things must happen. If taxation is remitted there would be little money for building "more railways" unless there should be an enormous increase in the importation of foreign goods at the lower rates of duty. The balance of trade is already against Canada to the extent of more than two hundred million dollars a year, and if we should import still more extensively it would mean the displacement of home manufactures and home products of various kinds.

AN ANCIENT PARROT.

An older and more historical bird than the octogenarian cockatoo of St. Ives is the famous parrot "Ducky" which was one of Queen Alexandra's pets until its death a few years ago. This bird belonged to the younger Pitt, who presented it to George III, from whom it passed in turn to George IV., William IV., and Queen Victoria, who presented it to her daughter-in-law, the Princess of Wales. All parrots are long-lived, and if they could only speak with intelligence, what reminiscences this Royal bird could have given—from the time it first looked knowingly at Pitt, learned how to imitate the inviolable "What? What?" of George III, was scandalized by the revels of the Regent, and attempted to acquire the nautical vocabulary of William IV.—London Chronicle.

Notice

Having sold out my Boot and Shoe business in Durham, all accounts owing to me must be paid on or before December 1, 1913, or on or before placed in other hands they will be placed and costs added for collection, and costs added. My son, Thomas McGrath, will be at the store on Garafraxa street for a few days, and is authorized to collect accounts and give receipts for same.

M. McGrath, Durham, blk type

Notice

My wife, Elizabeth Acton, having of her own accord left my home, I hereby warn all merchants and others that I will not be responsible for or pay any debts which she may incur.

October 31st, 1913. THEODORE ACTON, Hanover P. O.

MOVER OF DURHAM'S HALL HAS BRANTFORD JOB.

Mr. Reuben Rogers, the well-known house-moving contractor of this city, has received the contract for the raising of Lorne Bridge over the Grand river at Brantford. Mr. Rogers has not yet got all his tackle there, but expects it there this week and will start work November 1, he thinks. The contract is a big one, as the bridge must be raised without any stoppage of traffic.

The object of the raising is that the Lake Erie and Northern Railway may pass under it, on its way to the heart of the city. Mr. Rogers expects to put the bridge to its new level without accident, as he has not had one in all the years that he has been raising and moving large structures.—Guelph Mercury.

IT WASN'T WILLIE.

"Willie, didn't I tell you that I'd whip you if you put one of those rubber buttons on the stove again?" "Taint me, ma. It's pa smoking one of them cigars you got him for his birthday."

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