

Reviving Canadian Musical Wealth



(1) Lt.-Gov. Randolph Bruce, of B. C., who attended the Festival. (2) A step in the Highland Fling. (3) Tossing the caber, one of the athletic events. (4) Pictouque Indians grouped on the grounds of the Banff Springs Hotel. (5) Ralph Connor, who preached at the open-air service in the Sun Dance Canyon.

According to general comment throughout the country, the second decisive step towards reviving and preserving the wealth of music, indigenous of this country, has been achieved with the conclusion of the Highland Gathering and Festival of Scottish Music held at the Banff Springs Hotel, Banff, Alberta, during the first week of September. Not only in Canada but in the United States and Great Britain, have newspapers and current magazines commented most favorably upon this musical event, the first venture along these lines being in May when the Canadian Folk Song and Handicraft Festival was held at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec City.

Proof of the interest taken in them across the water was given recently when the Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin, Premier of Great Britain, commented upon the Folk Song Festival held at Quebec. This event was one of the first of public interest touched upon by the Premier after his arrival in Canada. Mr. Baldwin observed with pleasure the success of the Festival and stated that events of that kind were invaluable in keeping alive the old-time customs, songs and handicrafts which, he was sorry to observe, were wont

to be forgotten in the rush and bustle of the present day.

The Festivals at Quebec and Banff have been staged through the generosity of E. W. Beatty, chairman and president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. Organizing work in connection with them has been of pioneer nature as these festivals are the first of their kind to have been staged in Canada. This work was undertaken by J. Murray Gibbon, general publicity agent of the Canadian Pacific whose personal interest largely accounted for their success. Many of the old folk songs which were featured at the Canadian Folk Song Festival being translated by him.

Scots in Canada played a memorable part in the development of the country, their names being prominent in many engineering, fur trading and exploration enterprises—such men as Fraser, Mackenzie and Thompson, and many others of the past generations who penetrated the mountains of the West. It was here in the same mountains, unrivaled in the world for beauty, that the Scottish Festival was held and for which hundreds gathered from all parts of the country to attend. The Gathering was of a national character, as each of the seventeen

Scottish regiments in Canada had pipers present to compete for the highest honors. The artists themselves were in most cases Scots of no mean artistry. The festival of music was supplemented by a full program of Scottish games and tests of prowess, which proved one of the outstanding features of the three-day gathering.

While many colorful events have taken place at this famous mountain resort the Scottish Festival was perhaps the most picturesque, for in addition to the brilliant plaid of the Highlanders, were to be seen the traditional gay dress of the Indians who gathered from the Blood and Stoney Reserves to witness the events. They watched with keen interest the whirling dance steps of the Scots and were awed by the skill of the pipers. In turn they demonstrated their old-time ceremonial songs and dances described by the early Scottish explorers, such as Sir Alexander Mackenzie and Alexander Henry.

THE COST OF ILLNESS

The cost of illness for those in moderate circumstances is a problem of increasing difficulty, and a recent Washington conference organized a committee of physicians, economists and sanitarians to make a five years' study of the conditions. The subject is discussed sympathetically and impartially in the Atlantic by Mrs. Anne Miller Downes. "Some of us," she says have forgotten that hospitals were built originally for the poor, and were charitable organizations. The poor are still there, crowding the clinics and the wards; the rich have usurped the remaining space, a limited number of private and semi-private rooms, and the middle class are almost completely crowded out. Millions of dollars have been spent on magnificent buildings, but gradually one class in the community has been lost sight of. "The best medical service is available only for the very rich and for the very poor. The great middle class are not rich enough to buy the best service and not poor enough to accept charity." The available space in hospitals is used more and more by the rich for illnesses and operations which formerly were attended to at home. "Someone has said that the sick poor are doubly unfortunate; they are sick and poor. But the sick middle class are likewise unfortunate; they are sick and they will be poor when the bills are paid."

Mrs. Downes acknowledges the fairness and often the generosity of both doctors and nurses in the matter of charges. The great majority of men are honest and wish to deal justly. The ethics of the public in regard to paying for medical care are generally sound, and the ethics of the medical profession are also generally sound. Doctors are generally competent in their respective fields, "but" she says, "it is a fact that the time has come when the likewise decent, competent man, woman or child of the middle class cannot afford to take advantage of their skill." Some have advocated social insurance as a remedy, and she thinks that for the laboring class this may be effective. Within the next ten years enormous strides forward will be made in both educational and remedial work for the laboring classes, but the great middle class may still be un-cared for.

As an experiment for the relief of this situation a group of women doctors in New York City are planning a hospital where patients will be charged in accordance with their incomes. Out of 200 beds, 150 will be reserved for patients of moderate means, while rates and charges will be made fair to all. Mrs. Downes thinks that society in general should shoulder the burden of caring adequately for the sick. The endowment of education is considered essential. Is not the health that makes men and women efficient, happy, active, independent, one of the choicest assets of the nation?—Toronto Mail & Empire.

If you don't feel just right,
If you can't sleep at night,
If you moan and sigh,
If your throat is dry,
If you can't smoke or chew,
If your grub tastes like glue,
If your heart doesn't beat,
If you've got cold feet,
If your heads in a whirl,
For heaven's sake—
Marry the girl.

TELEPHONES IN COFFINS

An experiment has been undertaken at the cemetery of San Jose, in Spain, for the installation of tiny telephones in each coffin. These are to be connected to an alarm bell in the porter's lodge, thus providing against the possibility of anyone being buried alive. There's a lot of comfort to be got out of the thought that nobody is perfect.

Unutterable Emotion

"Now, then, what should a polite little boy say to a lady who has given him a penny for carrying her parcels?"
"I am too polite to say it, madam."
Baldheaded man—"You say this hair restorer is very good, do you?"
Chemist—"Yes, sir, I know a man who took the cork out of the bottle with his teeth, and had a moustache the next day."

FITTING SERVICE WAS HELD MONDAY

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thanks for temporal blessings. The bountiful harvest of this year should cause us to be particularly thankful. It reminds us of the faithfulness of God, who has promised: "While the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night shall not cease."

Of late years there has been added to our thanksgiving a new significance. Like the psalmist, we have passed through trouble. The war brought to most of us a measure of trouble and sorrow. Such experiences should turn our hearts to God, who, by his grace, has spared us to live in days of peace. We struggled in war days for the highest ideals of life, for justice and righteousness. For these ideals many men laid down their lives. At this time it is fitting that we should honor to their memory. We can do this best by perpetuating and propagating the ideals for which they fell. Not the least of our blessings at this thanksgiving time is the peace for which they laid down their lives. Let us who enjoy this peace and liberty be duly thankful.

In one sense of the word we can return to God absolutely nothing for His gifts. David points out that we can "take the cup of salvation", that is, pledge ourselves to God and consecrate our lives to His service. We make certain vows and resolves at Thanksgiving or the New Year. Let there be no delay in putting these into practice. David said, "I will pay my vows unto the Lord NOW". So as we make our vows now, let us go out to fulfill them.

While we render thanks for temporal blessings, let us not forget the spiritual blessings as well. Let us not forget God's greatest gift to men—salvation through Jesus Christ.

"I gave my life for thee
What hast thou given for Me?"

High Finance
"A dime? What do you want a dime for?"
"Wot do I want a dime for? Well mister, I'll tell yer. I've got nine hundred an' ninety-nine thousand, nine hundred an' ninety-nine dollars an' ninety cents, an' I'd just love t' make it a million."

1927 Christmas Seals



The 1927 Christmas Seals, in aid of the Muskoka and Toronto Hospitals for Consumptives, have just been issued. These handsome Seals, bearing the double-barred Red Cross, carry a message of hope to those who are afflicted with consumption. Every dollar received through their sale is used for the maintenance of patients. The National Sanitarium Association is in need of funds to carry on the work of its hospitals at Muskoka and at Weston. Why not buy these Seals in lieu of others? Not only will you get good value in return, but your money will serve a greater end—for it will go to help someone in distress. Look for the double-barred Red Cross on every packet. None others are genuine. For sale by school children and banks, or direct from the Xmas Seal Department, Gage Institute, Toronto 2, Ontario.

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This is The Reason

There are in practically every town a certain number of active and wide-awake business and professional men. They are ready and willing to devote a considerable amount of time and effort in the promotion of undertakings for the betterment of the community. If these men are supported and encouraged by the community at large—if there is that spirit of good will and co-operation which should obtain—then, and then only, will you see a prosperous and progressive community. If men in similar lines of business will harmonize, and if these, then, will co-operate with all others, then nothing can hold such a town back beyond its natural limitations. In the promotion of these matters the local paper can and does take an active and prominent part; and only in the measure of business co-operation which is extended to such paper may it be a power and influence in the community.

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FRIENDS GATHERED TO SAY FAREWELL

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neighbors, as well as friends over a wide area of Glenelg and Bentinck townships. There was a short, spicy programme, presided over by J. Crutehley, and at an arranged time in its proceedings, Mr. and Mrs. MacArthur were made the recipients of a handsome china cabinet as a token of the good feeling that existed and a tangible evidence of the regret at their departure. With the presentation, which was made by Robert Lawson, was an address, read by Mrs. Thomas Turnbull. Both Mr. and Mrs. MacArthur made short replies expressive of their gratitude for the display of affection, and short addresses for the neighbors were made by Messrs. F. W. Kelsey, D. Watson and J. Moffat. The remainder of the evening was spent in games and dancing. Following is the address:

November 3rd, 1927.
To Mr. and Mrs. Dan McArthur.
Dear Friends:

You see around you tonight a company of friends and neighbors who have deemed it fitting to invade your hospitable home once more before you "pull up stakes" and move from our immediate midst. We are glad that you are not going far away and indulge the hope that in the future we may find

opportunities of meeting with you again.

We wish to put on record our sense of the loss we are sustaining by your removal. You are both natives of our good township and in the long series of years we have learned to appreciate your kindly natures and obliging dispositions. Deeds are stronger than words and to mark these utterances we ask you to accept this piece of furniture as a token of our esteem and respect.

We wish for you many happy days in the sunset years of life, and hope you will ever keep in affectionate remembrance the friends you have mingled with so long.

Signed on behalf of the neighbors and friends.

The younger generation doesn't know who invented alarm clocks, but they didn't.

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