

OTHER PAPERS' OPINIONS

Amusements Tax Collection

A "spotter" from the Amusements Tax branch was in town last week ferreting out information to collect a few pennies amusement tax and to force the Council to pay for a license for Memorial Park for the past year and for 1928. While here he made things uncomfortable for almost every official in town. This Act is not respected by the general public, and the fact that these "trailers" are sent around to collect a tax for conducting ball games in Memorial Park is every bit as ridiculous as it is unpopular. Nor is the enforcement of the Act conducted on a fair basis. Only where it is known entertainments are being held do these collectors swoop down for their prey. Numerous places where entertainments are held no tax has ever been paid. —Dundalk Herald.

It Has Been a Success

Merchants report that the endeavor to induce the habit of buying Empire made goods has scored a real success, if judgment may be formed on the number of persons who have asked to be furnished with Empire produced goods. That is what Empire Shopping Week was designed to do—establish a habit. If we can ask for Empire made goods for a week, we can ask for them every time we buy anything. Nor will the practice of asking for goods made within the Empire indicate that we are victims of an inferior complex, but the reverse. If it is said that the same goods are made better in some other country, the fact the Empire made goods have been asked for, though the goods themselves may be rejected, would encourage improvement in the British Empire product. By buying Empire products, we will encourage Canadian manufacturers and producers to better their product. They are bound to improve in order that they may hold the trade they procure and increase it over competitors. Trade within the Empire is a family affair. It is not the concern of any other nation. If we are satisfied with home products they cannot do other than better the quality of the goods they market in the hope that they will be able to take trade they would otherwise lose. There are very few goods that are not to be procured somewhere within the Empire. Given the business, British ships will come to Montreal with goods gathered in England from all parts of the Empire and shippable to other sections of the Empire in exchange for goods produced elsewhere within the Empire. If the sun never sets on the British flag, it never sets on British activities. Each one of us in his little way can make the Empire self-sustaining—if we will. —Teeswater News.

Abolish Steel Traps

A crusade has been instituted to abolish steel traps in the catching of fur-bearing animals, but it is doubtful if much progress will be made unless some alternative, equally as sure a capture can be devised. Farming of animals for their fur is one way where control of the market could be secured, but there would have to be a larger increase of fur farms before enough could be produced to supply the market. While the abolition of the steel trap is desired by many to prevent the suffering of the animals it is doubtful if that end will result for some time to come. —Flesherton Advance.

Pedestrian Carrying Lights

The idea of having pedestrians on the country roads carry some kind of light has merit. As there is only the highway on which to walk, the person on foot is always in danger of being run down by a passing car. If the walker at the side of the road is going the same way as a car he is particularly difficult to see. Many of the people walking on country roads at night carry a small flashlight, when they see a car coming from either direction they flash it on and attract attention to their presence. In this way they are easily avoided by the motorist. Many a driver has experienced the scare of having to stop short in order to miss hitting a pedestrian, who has not even seemed to care about trying to avert danger. The best plan of the pedestrian is to keep to the left side of the road. In this way he is always going against oncoming traffic. He can be more easily seen and he can always see the exact position of the approaching car. We do not mean that an act should

be passed such as that controlling the lighting of buggies, etc., but the carrying of a light by pedestrians as a measure of safety has a good point.—Orangeville Sun.

Canada's Governor General

Canadian newspapers are discussing the matter of a Canadian being appointed Governor General of Canada. The Mirror thinks it would be a mistake, not that we believe the appointment of a Canadian would wound Great Britain and the Empire but we do believe that the appointment of an eminent old country man as representative of his Majesty is a touch that helps understanding in both countries. Frankly it adds more tone and dignity than the appointment of a native Canadian, however eminent, could do. Since Canada obtained responsible government all of her Governors General have been able men and all went back to Britain with an understanding of Canada that has stood the Dominion in good stead in Empire councils. Among our best friends in Britain are those who spent the governor's term in Canada. The system has worked out well and we don't believe there is any serious idea to change it.

Most of these constitutional questions arise from the theorizing of journalists and writers who have not anything else to write about. It is a strange thing that men who live continuously in Ottawa with their heads in the clouds of higher political theory know so little about actual Canadian public sentiment. There is absolutely no desire for a change and nobody ever thought of it until the high brow political theorists got what they probably regard as a brilliant idea. —Meaford Mirror.

Horse Shoes

It seems as if the game of horse shoes is being indulged in more this year than usual, but it could not be spoken of as a revival; for this form of sport, going back in principle to the ancient Greeks, has never been absent within the period of written history. In early England it was known as quoits with heavy iron rings used, and this name and the use of rings persists to a considerable degree, but horse shoes appear to be the official style in this country. Quoits pitching became so general in England in the fifteenth century that royal attempts were made to end it in favor of archery. One of the writers of the period speaks of "quoiting as too vile for scholars." It is noted, however, that scholars at picnics still take to it as keenly as any, while archery, much as there is to be said for its gracefulness and test of skill, still requires efforts to keep it alive. Horse shoes, first used by working men for lack of quoits, now are made specially for the game, with regulation weight, and finished as elegantly as desired, in gold, bronze, nickel plate or aluminum. —Meaford Express.

Laying the Blame on Providence

One of the prevalent tendencies of the present time is false thinking on the subject of personal responsibility for one's conduct in life. It seems to be promoted by what are facetiously called the "fancy religions", very numerous in most large cities, although in this matter Los Angeles is supposed to hold the record. We have developed on this continent in considerable numbers a type of egotist who assumes that he is wad's instrument and of that in whatever breaches of law and convention impulse or propensity may lead him to commit, he is fulfilling the divine will. Occasionally this tendency meets its reductio ad absurdum. A salient instance was recently recorded in the newspapers of New York where the Baumes law permits judges to impose life imprisonment on criminals whose records show them to be incorrigible and determined to live by crime. An apparently educated woman was caught abstracting money from another woman's purse in a famous department store. She called herself May English, which she admitted was not her real name, and finger print comparisons showed that she had been convicted of similar offences in many States, so a Baumes law prosecution was instituted. Her ultimate fate is not yet certain, and as in the case of most criminals whose early antecedents are very obscure, the romantic tale has gone forth that she is of "good family", once an important figure in New England society, once owner of a racing stud, and so on.

All that is as it may be. The interesting point of her case is the

personal defence she set up. She claimed to be a devout adherent of one of the more recent religious sects, and said, "My faith in God upholds me. God made me a thief. Perhaps it is to fulfill God's divine will that I used to be deluded when I was in trouble, but I read how the greatest man was crucified and how many great men and women have suffered." We withhold the name of the religious sect of which this woman claimed to be a devotee, because its membership boasts many good and law-abiding people who would be pained by the thought of how its teachings have been distorted. But it is quite possible that her plea that God made her a thief and expects her to carry out His will in that way, will gain for her the sympathy of many ill-balanced people. Nevertheless judges and detectives do not accept pleas of personal irresponsibility. They are obliged to stick to the ancient and useful tradition on which society is sustained—namely that God's will was expressed in the criminality sections of the Ten Commandments. —Toronto Saturday Night.

Mothers Object to Exhortation

Since the celebration of Mother's Day on May 13th, Saturday Night has heard some tart criticism from mothers who object to being exhortations to filial devotion. The suggestion of a day set apart to honor mother came, we believe, from a Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia. Her intention, like those who helped to put over her idea in Canada, was of the best. There has long been a rumor that the florists had something to do with the movement, and the phrase "Say It With Flowers" came to be associated with the occasion. It was natural that florists should welcome a stimulus to trade in the month of May when the dull season in their line of business is com-

Acceptable Legislation

The actions of society are, to a large extent, regulated by legislation. We have become accustomed to dictation, but there is always the danger of revolt against too many ordinances that interfere with our movements and personal liberty. Agriculture on the whole must comply with the regulations on a good many different pages in the Statute Books, but many of them are of little worry to those who follow the straight and narrow way. We eventually become so accustomed to doing things in a certain manner that we unconsciously conform with the law without any knowledge of it. In time, perhaps, our attitude to the new Ontario Weed Control Act and to the corn borer regulations will be one of unconsciously doing the right thing. Weed control is an essential phase of good farming, and corn borer control is absolutely neces-

TENNIS PLAYERS MET

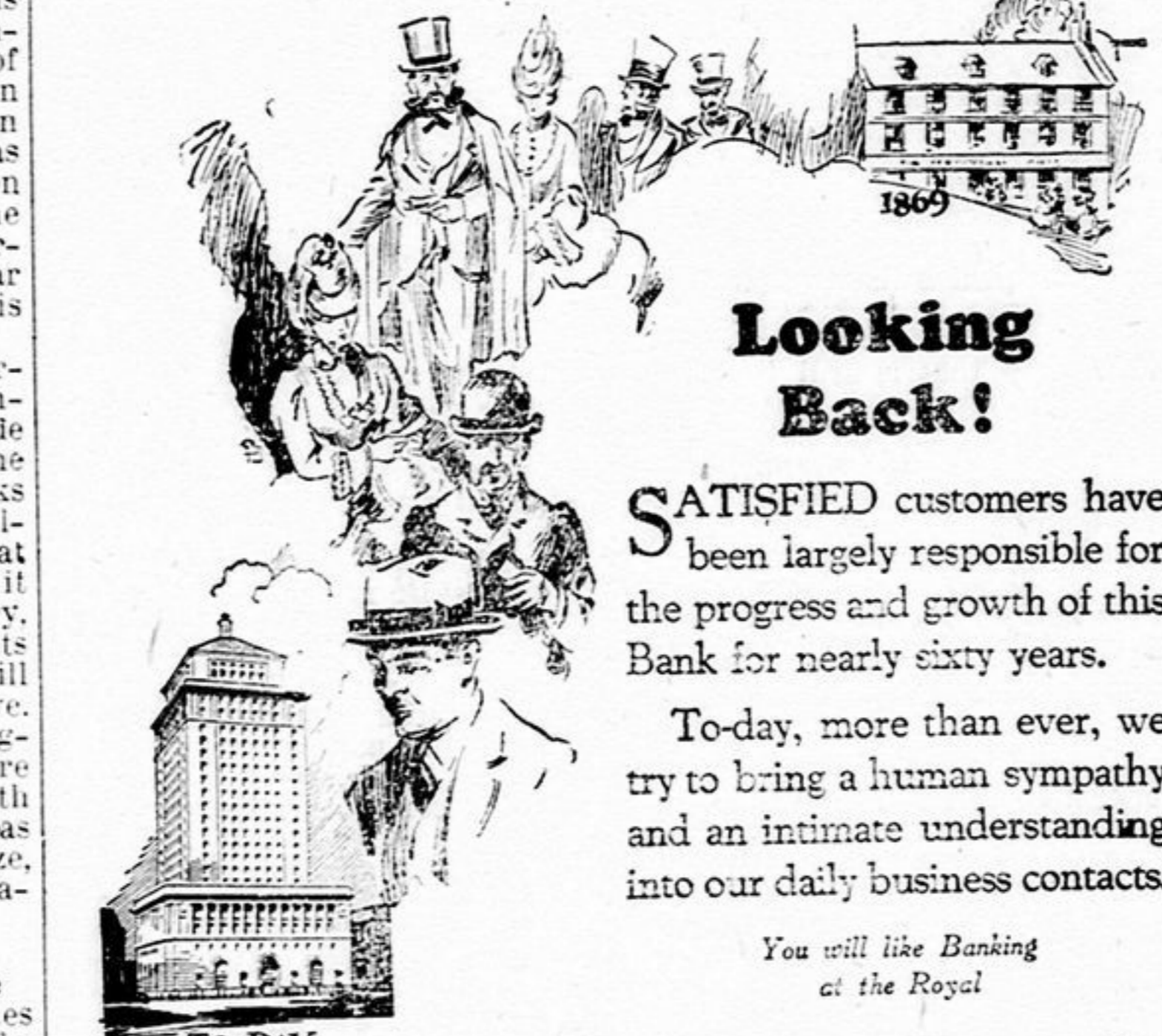
A meeting of the tennis enthusiasts of town was held Monday evening in the I.O.D.E. rooms, and during the meeting the price of tennis rackets and tennis balls was discussed. On the other hand merchants selling gloves, candies, toilet articles and other gift commodities suited to the occasion, did not raise their prices and indeed reaped an advantage by offering special prices for Mother's Day. It is quite clear that unless a more far-sighted policy is adopted, the florists are likely to lose the market that was created through the ingenious slogan: "Say It With Flowers"—Toronto Saturday Night.

the game started once more in town. It was decided that the membership fee should be \$5.00 for men, \$3.00 for boys and \$2.00 for ladies.

The following officers were elected: G. S. Kearney, Secretary; C. D. Kent, Treasurer; Work Committee, J. H. McQuarrie, W. McDonnell, A. W. H. Lauder; Tea Committee, Miss A. Ramage, and Mesdames D. C. Town, A. W. H. Lauder, C. D. Kent, D. B. Jamieson, and G. S. Kearney. The club will be known as the Riverside Tennis Club and the committee will endeavor to secure the proper courts, the likelihood being that those in course of erection by D. Hopkins opposite the rink building on George street will be the ones to be selected. —Chronicle Advertising Pays! Try It. Farmer's Advocate.

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