Thursday, March 29, 1923.

BOOSTING CANADA

Complaints are made of Canada's slow growth in population, and we must admit that the growth is not so rapid as desirable. It is regrettable also to hear so many of our own people speak slightingly the country and its capabilities. When the people of a community are always finding fault with their surroundings and conditions it is no surprise to find outsiders fall in line and agree with them. The exodus of our people to the United States is attributable partly to the dissatisfaction of our own people on the one hand and the way other countries are lauded by their inhabitants on the other. Individual discontent is bad enough but when governments pride themselves openly and determinedly belittling our conditions the situation becomes infinitely worse.

We seldom hear it from an American citizen, but we know that farming in sections of the United States is equally as trying as farming is in Canada. They have their misfortunes there just as we have them here but the people and the government are not holding them up as dark stain against the country to prevent settlement.

Of late years so much has been said of the hardships endured by farmers and the poor return they get for their labors that others are kept from embarking in the industry. There is no doubt about farmers making less money now than they did a few years ago and, like the rest of us, they have to pay too much for what they buy.

the other.

If we want to get increased popu- tion. lation we can only do it by showing healthful exercise, wholesome surwe have inducements to offer. As roundings, make the rink an ideal far as Canada is concerned we be- resort for them. The question often lieve it is just as good as any other asked. What shall we do with our country on the face of the earth. We children? is readily answered by the have a lot to do in the making of it, Toronto Skating Club. Their youthbut to accomplish what we should, ful enthusiasm is a guarantee we must show a measure of content- long life for this institution. ment. The knockers are a curse wherever you find them and government knockers are no exception.

GIVEN DAMAGES IN ACCIDENT

accident which occurred at Holland Centre on August 11 last, John Mc- on, without any remuneration, diet handed out by Justice Mulock cise during winter when many othat the spring assizes held last week er forms are impracticable. at Brampton, the county town of Peel County, in the cases of Wilkinson and McQuarrie against the C. P. R. Dr. R. Howey and several other Owen Sound people gave evidence at the hearing of the cases, which commenced on Tuesday.

The accident occurred about 10.30 o'clock on August 11 when a way Sound struck the big automobile Times. when it stalled on the crossing at Wilkinson had his collar bone brok- times.-Norfolk Virginian-Pilot. a severe shaking up.

John McQuarrie of Cheitenham, On- ed a year ago.-Kansas City Star. tario, and he was bringing tour! The most satisfactory substitute friends, Allen McQuarrie, Hugh Wil- for coal is spring weather .- St. Jokinson. Walter Wilkinson, and W. seph News-Presc. W. Wilkinson, to Sydenicam Town- Learning to write movie scenarship, where they intended to attend ios is like learning to write cheques the funeral of a relative, the late Cashing in on either is the hard Mr. George Wilkinson.

slowly when the engine stalled. The to amuse our criminals. Unless way freight, approaching at con- they are lacking in any sense of husiderably less than fall speed, struck mor, we must .- Philadelphia North than forty-five when that dream the car amidships and carried it a American. distanse of 50 yards down the track, making it practically an entire wreck. The occupants were very badly thrown about, but W. W. Wilkinson was the only one who had bones broken. The others were badly bruised.

NO CLUE TO CAUSE OF FIRE

100 per cent., and machinery 135 Burns of Chicago and Mrs. Dugald

VALUE OF FIGURE SKATING (Teronto Globe.)

In the Toronto Skating Club the city has an asset of which it has reason to be proud. The carnival which it presented for two nights, attended by over 12,000 spectators, could scarcely be duplicated elsewhere. But it was a brilliant flash which is now only a memory. What

is permanent in effect is the work of the members leading up to it, and that is the true measure of the carnival's value.

singles, and also in pairs, looked so easy that perhaps it is difficult to realize the weeks and months of practice that was behind it all. But it was practice of invaluable aid to both the mental and the physical welfare of the skaters. It is the only its own artificial ice rink. In New York, Paris, London, Manchester, Melbourne, Buenos Aires and many other large cities, skating clubs make use of public arenas, often at irregular and inconvenient hours. But in the Toronto Skating Club the home. ice is at the disposal of the members morning, afternoon and evening for five months in the year. During most of the time efficient instructors thing is ready to have her removed give lessons in the international style of skating which is now generally recognized as best adapted for inculcating poise, ease and grade upon the ice. In this respect figure skating is on a par with dancing, fencing and other exercises more commonly practiced for similar purposes. The progress which the members have made in this fascinating art during the two years which they have had a home of their own was reflected in the part which they took in the carnival.

Another unique feature of this club is the attention paid to the We all feel the burden of the war children. Over 250 of them are enthe situation will be in no way rem- of the instructors. For the children edied by a constant howl against the lessons in figure skating are a joy, conditions we are forced to meet. not a task. Youngsters of seven or What, we may ask, is the use of eight work away at the elementary trying to increase our population figures, which are the basis of sucon the one hand, and condemning cess, with as much perseverance and the country and its capabilities on determination as if they were entered for a championship competi-Imperceptible discipline,

The club is fortunate, too, in possessing a large number of members who do not skate but who recognize the value of the exercise and are willing to contribute to its main-AT HOLLAND CENTRE CROSSING tenance. Thes kating members are As a result of the level crossing limited by the capacity of the rink, but they propose to give next seas-Quarrie, the owner of the wrecked series of exhibitions in other cities car, will receive \$1,200 and Walter and towns near Toronto, in the hope Wilkinson, who was seriously in- of spreading their own enthusiasm jured, gets \$648. Such was the ver- for an entrancig and healthful exer-

CRISP COMMENT

And now if the world will abolish

free seeds of war.-Detroit News. "Patron Steals a Taxi," says headline. He probably thought he had bought it .- Dayton News.

Rolling stones often get that way freight coming south from Owen because of rolling pins .- Asheville

The dickens of the French adventhe village. The car was carried ture in the Rhineland is that great for 50 yards by the train. W. W. expectations have turned into hard

en and the other occupants received Generally speaking, a style reformer is a man who approves now The car was owned and driven by of the styles he so fiercely denounc-

part.-Watertown Standard.

The car was crossing the railway | An Ohio declares that we ought

LAST SURVIVING MEMBER DIES

OF MEAFORD'S FIRST COUNCIL The last surviving member of Meaford's first Council after incorporation passed away at his residence there Monday morning in his 89th year in the person of J. J. Johnston. He was born in Ireland and came to GUTTING BRANTFORD FACTORY Meaford in 1865, being the last to There is no clue to the cause of the survive of the first Council of 1874. fire which on Sunday destroyed the He was Mayor of the town from 1890 and to collect the fare. Brandon Shoe Company plant, with to 1896, then acted as magistrate of \$200,000 loss, although crossed wires the town until a little over a year or spontaneous combustion are sug- ago. In religion he was a Disciple. gested. The blanket insurance total- The funeral was held yesterday afled \$180,000. Manager A. Brandon ternoon to Lakeview cemetery, the stated Monday morning that the fac- town council attending in a body. tory would be rebuilt, but pointed He is survived by his wife and four to disconnect their electric irons out that since the factory was built children, A. B. Johnston of San Franin 1910 building costs had increased cisco, Herbert of Kitchener, Mrs. C.

Smith of Meaford.

"THE OLD-PASHIONED MOTHER"

This is a most interesting drama with a good moral and a fine ending and was presented here on Friday night by the Young People of the Baptist Church.

It is evidently based on "Over the Hill to the Poor-house," and its sequel, "Over the Hill from the Poorhouse," two poems appearing in the Farm Ballads of Will Carleton, and readers familiar with these will have the gist of the play.

The first of the Carleton poems pictures the aged mother whose family marries off one by one till she is left alone. She then tries to make The skating of the members in a home with members of the family, but finds in every case there are objections of some sort till finally she has to go to the poor-house. As she trudges her weary way she expresses the fervent hope that the Simper. "The Magdalene," children for whom she would die would never know the sorrows she had gone through. According Carleton's presentation the mother club in the world which possesses actually went to the poor-house and it remained for the sequel, "Over the Hill From the Poor-house". show how she was freed by her prodigal sen, who served time as a horse-thief and, learning of his mother's misfortune returned from obscurity, purchased the old homestead and reinstated her in the old

> In the play, as pictured in "The Old-fashioned Mother," the prodigal is shown to return just as everyto the poor-house. In the Carleton picture and the dramatized production, the names of the children are the same in both cases. Each has its Tom and Isaac and Charlie, and John and Susan and Beckie.

To give an outline of the performers requires more time and help of a manager and three assistspace than we have at our disposal. ants. We may say, however, that the staging was good and the characters were well chosen for their respective parts.

Miss Adeline Graham, a girl in her 'teens, was somewhat youthful appearance for an old-fashioned mother, but she played her part well. She has a pleasing personality, a good clear voice, distinct enunciation and enough feeling to add a real charm to her pathetic touches. She had the heavy part of the and we feel the burden of taxation rolled as junior members, and they play, and though a mild criticism that touches us at every point, but are equally entitled to the services might be in order in places her work was excellent for an amateur.

Mrs. Giles, who was leader of the about it. choir, was quite demonstrative in the discharge of her duties, and sufficiently profuse in the necessary gesticulations. No Durham bandmaster ever wielded the wand with greater vigor and few choir leaders laid claim to greater authority. She was the boss and didn't hesitate to assert her authority.

Ronald Giles, acting under the stage name of "Jerry" Gosling, was a conspicuous figure in the play and was ready to swap anything from a chew of gum to a rooster. He gave some good hits and gave them well. Violet McGregor (Lowizy Lovina Custard) made an unsuccessful attempt in setting her cap for Dick McCabe (Bro. Jonathan Quackenbosh, the whited sepulchre) but after falling heir to a fortune, retrieved her wounded feelings as on bend- him. ed knees he made a proposal of mar-

The other players were Grace Ritchie (Isabel Simpscott), Kathleen Lean (the Elder Brother), Wilfred Haifax to Vancouver. Thompson (an outcast and a wanderer), H. S. Griff (the County Sher-

All did well and we can recommend the play as an amateur production to the people of Priceville, where i is to be given at a date in the near future.

FORMER MULE DRIVER BECOMES STATE GOVERNOR

In 1881 William Woodward Brandon drove a mule street car at Tuscaloosa and dreamed a dream! He would be Governor of Alabama. In 1923 that dream came true, and at this moment in the history of Alabama his sits in the chair of the chief executive's office while the old mule, Kate, lives in idleness and splendor at Tuscaloosa.

And at the Governor's inauguration, Kate, the mule, carrying the sedateness and dignity of some 47 years, attracted as much attention as the Governor himself. Led by a negro, in the midst of the inaugural parade, Kate was honored by the waving of flags, with martial music and the cheers of the crowd. She had ridden into town on the special train that carried the Governor's Sheepskins admirers. During the administration of the inaugural oath, Kate nibbled grass on the Capitol lawn.

Brandon was thirteen when he dreamed his dream. He was less

came true. He is the son of a Methodist minister. There was no silver spoon for him. There was nothing but hard work. At thirteen he landed at Tuscaloosa, the home of the University of Alabama. He yearned for an education. He obtained a position as driver of a street car. In those days drivers were what street car conductors are to-day. It was his duty to drive Kate, who pulled the car.

Ten years later he entered the University of Alabama as a student

If women were as careful when smoiking as the men, and could learn when leaving them, the reduction in fire losses resulting would equal the entire present less occasioned by all firee of electrical origin.

Easter in the Churches

TRINITY, CHURCH Rev. J. H. Whealen, Rector. 8.30 A.M.—Holy Communion.

7.00 P.M.—Even Song. BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. E. Cameron, B.A., B.Th., Pastor Sunday, April 1.

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Rev. C. G. F. Cole, Pastor. 11.00 A.M.—"The Risen Christ,"

"Easter Promise." 7.00 P.M.—The Choir will render

Cantata "Easter Angels," Fearris. "Angels at Gethsemene," Mrs. ents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Limin. Lawrence.

"Wondering Angels," Mrs. Dan-"Rock of Ages," Mrs. Hay and Mr. Saunders. "Angels of Resurrection,"

Benson. "Joy in the Mansions of Light, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Hay and early in April. Mrs. Danard. Subject by Pastor, "Easter Fulfilment.

WANTED-A MAN

Wanted-A man for hard work and rapid promotion, a man who can do things to be done without the

A man who gets to work on time in the morning and does not imperil the lives of others in an attempt to

be first out of the office at night. A man who is neat in appearance week. and does not sulk if asked for an

hour's overtime in emergencies. A man who listens carefully when he is spoken to and asks only enough questions to insure the accurate carrying out of instructions. A man who moves quickly and makes as little noise as possible

A man who looks you straight in the eye and tells the truth every

A man who does not pity himself for having to work.

A man who is cheerful, courteou to everyone and determined to 'make good."

A man, who, when he does not know, says, "I don't know," and when asked to do anything says "I'll try."

A man who does not make the same mistake twice, who is not a goody-goody, a prig or a cad, but who does the very best he knows how with every task entrusted to

This man is wanted everywhere. Age or lack of experience do not count. There isn't any limit, except McLean (Gloriana Perkins), Dorothy his own ambition, to the number or McGregor (Sukey Pindle), Cecil Mc- the size of the jobs he can get. He Lean (the Prodigal Son), Hugh Mc- is wanted in every big business from

TOO TRUE (London Punch.)

With so many murders being committed in America just now we begin to think that the official report stating that American ciizens are as safe in Turkey as in their own country may verge upon the truth.

"Children should be seen and not

"Whose?" "Other people's."

DURHAM MARKET

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. William H. Rogers and Miss Jeanie Morrison of Holstein were in town last week to visit Mrs. Thomas Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Stoneouse. Mr. William Warmington

rented Mrs. Brown's farm and now in possession. Mrs. M. M. Marshall was called to

Milverton last week by the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. William A. Heughan.

Mrs. Hugh McLean and daughter, Mrs. G. A. Thompson, went to Harriston Friday morning, called there by the serious illness of their daughter, Mrs. W. J. Rabb.

Mrs. James Staples and granddaughter, Florence Alton, of Mark-Warren: Subject by Pastor : dale, are visiting her sister, Mrs. E. W. Limin.

Mrs. Alex. McLoughlin of London is visiting over Easter with her par-

Mrs. M. M. Marshall, Durham, announces the engagement of her youngest daughter, Marion, to Mr. William Kennedy, Shelburne, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy, Riverview. The marriage will take place

Miss Gladys Tucker of Glenmount visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Burgess

on Tuesday. Miss Weir of the High school staff is spending part of her Easter vacation in Guelph and Toronto.

Miss Merron McArthur of the Toronto Normal school, is spending the holidays at her home north of town. Mrs. Wallace McLeod of Andover New Brunswick, and Mrs. James McLeod of Rosetown, Sask., left for their homes after three or four weeks' visit with their mother, Mrs. William Saunders.

Mr. Robert Munro of Edson, Alberta, visited his sister, Mrs. William Saunders, a few days last

He Had It Right.

The play at the local theatre was drawing towards the end, when one actor about to go on suddenly fainted. Owing to this, a scene-shifter was sent on at the last moment to say the line. He delivered it, although his pronunciation was hardly up to the standard of modern high-class drama.

It sounded something like this: 'The p'leece 'ave discoered everything, me lord, and are at the gate!" "Tis false, knave, false!" replied

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the villain, as per the book of the

"Oh, orl right, guv'ner!" exclaimed the indignant scene-shifter. "Orl right!" Go an' ask the bloomin' stage manager wer-self! 'E told me to say it."

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