

Canada Lures World-famous Stars



CLARA BUTT on Canadian Pacific S.S. "Princess Adelaide"

SOPHIE BRESLAU at the Windsor Station, Montreal.

GAIL-CURCI at Vancouver Hotel.

ELSIE JANIS (centre) at Banff.

JACK HOLT at Banff.

PAVLOWA on the S.S. "Empress of France"

MARY PICKFORD and DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS at Banff.

That the two-fold attraction of Canada's audiences and Canada's scenic and climatic allurements, especially at Banff, is proving irresistible to many great concert, theatrical and movie stars is well brought out by the sheaf of photographs reproduced above, which represents some of the famous artists who have recently visited Canada. The majority of the originals of these pictures need no introductions to Canadians. Sophie Breslau, that brilliant contralto singer, who is shown about to start her tour of this country from the Canadian Pacific Railway's Windsor Station, Montreal, made a great hit everywhere. Dame Clara Butt retains her place in the hearts of British audiences. Gail Curci's golden voice has enraptured millions. Elsie Janis, internationally known impersonator, and her "Momma" foregathered with the Mountie at the C. P. R. station at Banff and got a big thrill. Jack Holt, famous movie star, snapped off duty among the Indians at Banff, is lyrical on the subject of Canadian scenery. Jascha Heifetz was on his way to the Orient when he posed for the Canadian Pacific camera-man. The perennial Pavlowa expresses her appreciation of services rendered aboard the "Empress of France". Doug and Mary had the time of their young lives holidaying at the Canadian Pacific hotel at Banff, where the picture reproduced was taken.

Our Canadian Quizz Corner

**Chinese Aviators in Canada.**  
Q.—Are there any Chinese aviators in Canada?  
A.—There is a group of young Chinese aviators, of British nationality, who have opened a Chinese Flying School at Esquimaux, near Victoria; the object is to train men for aviation service in China.

**Fraternal Insurance.**  
Q.—How much fraternal insurance is in force in Canada?  
A.—Over \$150,000,000 of insurance is in force in fraternal benefit societies in Canada. The premiums paid by members amount to \$2,051,000 annually.

**Trade and Labor Congress.**  
Q.—What is the membership in the Trade and Labor Congress of Canada?  
A.—The Trade and Labor Congress of Canada reported a membership at the end of 1921 of 173,776, comprised of 1,964 local branch unions.

**Canada's Exports.**  
Q.—To how many countries does Canada export?  
A.—Canada exports to 44 different countries, and has stepped from ninth to fourth place among the great exporting nations in the world.

**Labor Strikes.**  
Q.—What was the extent of labor strikes in Canada in 1922?  
A.—While the number of strikes and lockouts in Canada during 1922 was only 85, as compared with 145 during 1921, the number of workers involved in 1922 was 41,050 as compared with 22,932, and the number of working days lost amounted to 1,975,276, as compared with 956,046 during the previous year. Approximately 50 per cent. of the time lost on this account in 1922 was in connection with strikes of coal miners in Alberta and British Columbia, which lasted from April till the end of August.

**Canada's Gold Production.**  
Q.—What is Canada's gold production?

A.—Canada was the only country to show a marked improvement in gold production in 1922. The Dominion now ranks second highest producer in the Empire and third in the world. In 1922 Canada produced gold to the value of \$26,500,000, compared with \$19,400,000 in 1921 and \$16,500,000 in 1920.

**Canada's Exports.**  
Q.—What is the evidence of Canada's exports?  
A.—The remarkable growth of Canada as an exporting country is graphically illustrated by a chart which has just been issued by the Department of Trade and Commerce. Before the war Canada stood eighth in volume of exports; she is now fourth. Before the war she ranked eighth in exports per head. She is now a close second to Australia, and after the war was first.

**Ontario's First Newspaper.**  
Q.—When was the first newspaper printed in Ontario (Upper Canada)?  
A.—The first number of the Upper Canada Gazette came out in Newark (Niagara-on-the-Lake) on April 18, 1793. It was the first newspaper in Ontario, and was a credit to the people who got it out and supported it—all U. E. Loyalists who eleven years before had come as destitute refugees into the then uninhabited wilderness of Niagara. This paper was only one sheet, 15 x 9 1/2 inches. It came out weekly and its price was three dollars a year.

**Ontario Vital Statistics.**  
Q.—What were the Ontario vital statistics in 1921?  
A.—The Ontario vital statistics were: births 74,152, marriages 24,871, and deaths 34,551.

**World's Largest Wheat-handling Ports.**  
Q.—Which are the largest wheat-handling ports in the world?  
A.—The twin cities of Fort William and Port Arthur are the largest grain-handling ports in the world. Over two hundred bushels of grain have been shipped through them in the fall of 1923.

**Canada's Historic Sites.**  
Q.—How many historical sites are there in Canada?  
A.—There are over six hundred historic sites in Canada, one hundred of which are of national importance and many of which are being marked by monuments by the

Historic Sites and Monuments Board.

**Canada's Wheat Production.**  
Q.—What has been Canada's percentage increase in wheat production?  
A.—Canada's wheat production has increased 70 per cent in 10 years.

**LONDONER SAYS 1911 LAST GREEN CHRISTMAS**  
Christmas Diary of London, Ontario, Man, Gives Interesting Data.

In view of the remarkably fine weather experienced at the present time a record of Christmas weather for the past twelve years maintained by Edward De la Hooke, steamship ticket agent at London, Ont., offers something interesting in the way of comparison, especially as it affects London and vicinity. In the first place the last "green" Christmas experienced was in 1911, according to Mr. De la Hooke's records. At that time snow did not fall until some time after the Yuletide season.

In 1912 the records show that the weather was somewhat mild, although snow fell. The records for this year give this significant note: "1912, snow and slush." Similar weather is recorded for each year until 1914, and for that and the three succeeding years there was an abundance of snow. The complete record follows:

For 1912, snow and slush; 1913, light covering on housetops; 1914-15-16, snow galore; 1917-18-19, a light mantle of snow; 1920, about an inch of snow; 1921, white covering, but no more; 1922, snow early morning, only light.

It is also interesting to note, Mr. De la Hooke points out, that this year saw a "white" Easter. Easter Sunday, which fell on April 1, was very cold, and continued so until the 29th, when the temperature dropped to zero. On the following Monday the temperature jumped to 56 degrees above.

**PAISLEY STORE IS ROBBED AND SUSPECTS ARRESTED**  
The general store of S. F. Ballachey at Paisley was broken into on Wednesday night of last week and a quantity of groceries and other articles stolen. The thieves gained an entry through the cellar window. Elmer Rankin and J. Babcock, two 17-year-old youths, were arrested the next day charged with the theft and were taken to Walkerton to stand their trial.

LONG-TERM MAYORS NOT FAVORED

Men Too Long in Office a Hindrance to Good Government, Says The Toronto Globe, and Gives Good Reasons For Making Statement.

Evidently The Toronto Globe is not enamored of Tommy L. Church's avowed intention of again running for Mayor of Toronto after having already served seven terms in the chief magistrate's chair in Ontario's chief city and at the present time being the sitting member in the Ottawa House of Commons for one of the Toronto seats.

From a perusal of the recent statements made by Mr. Church, one is almost forced to believe that Mr. Church thinks all he has to do is to run for the office and it is a safe conclusion that he will be again elected.

Mr. Church's seven years at the head of the city of Toronto would, one would think, be sufficient for any ordinary mortal, but we think The Globe could carry its argument even farther and say that to keep any one man too long on a council in any capacity is not the best thing for the municipality. A year or so ago we read of some old fellow serving as Reeve of some place or other in Eastern Ontario and getting, we think it was, his forty-eighth or ninth year in the office by acclamation. That must have been "some" municipality that, in 49 years could only scrape up one man to fill this position. What will happen when the old gentleman in question must go the way of all flesh?

But read what The Globe says editorially in its issue of the 22nd inst.:

"The crowding of Controller Foster out of the Mayoralty contest by Mr. T. L. Church, M.P., proves once more that Mr. Church's passion for office is insatiable. He may profess that zeal for the public service is the motive that induces him to sacrifice his time and his talents at City Hall, but there has been no greater example of ingratitude in the civic history of Toronto than Mr. Church's interposition in the Mayoralty campaign, to the hurt of two of his best friends of former years.

"Controller Hiltz and Controller Foster have served the citizens long and faithfully as Aldermen and members of the Board of Control. They have been conspicuous in their advocacy of all good causes. They are public ownership men in whom there is no guile. Their desire to occupy the chief Magistracy was a legitimate one, because the Mayoralty of Toronto has been regarded, and properly so, as conferring the crown of popular approval upon the municipal career of men who deserve well of their fellow-citizens.

"Mr. Hiltz and Mr. Foster should have been left to settle at the polls the question of precedence. No matter which of the two had been chosen, Toronto would have had a good Mayor, honest, able, experienced and industrious. Mr. Church has already been Mayor for a longer period than any other citizen since Toronto chose William Lyon Mackenzie as its first Mayor in 1834. In the 90 years that have passed since the incorporation of the city only eleven men have occupied the Mayor's chair for more than two years. The list includes John Powell, 1838-39-40; Hon. Henry Sherwood, 1842-43-44; William Henry Boulton, 1845-46-47-48; George Gurnett, 1848-49-50; John George Bowes, 1851-52-53-61-62-63; Francis H. Medcalf, 1864-65-66-74-75; Edward F. Clarke, 1888-89-90-91; Robert J. Fleming, 1892-93-96-97; Thomas Urquhart, 1903-04-05; Geo. R. Geary, K.C., 1910-11-12; Thomas Langton Church, 1915-16-17-18-19-20-21.

"Mr. Church, with a continuous seven years term to his credit, has already the longest Mayoralty record in the city's history, the only prede-

cessor in his class being Mr. Bowes, who was six times Mayor.

These phenomenally long Mayoralty terms are a hindrance to good government. Many able men who are elected Aldermen, and who in recent years have served on the Board of Control, drop out of public life when they realize that there is no possibility of reaching the Mayoralty. Were the Mayoralty open to some leader in Council every second year, the possibility of achieving the highest reward for civic services would bring about a healthy competition in the Aldermanic field and for the office of Controller."

Who is there who will say The Globe is wrong in its contention? Personally, we think it has not gone far enough. A township, village, town or city council can not function for the best interests of the municipality with the same faces at the business table every year, and especially holding the higher positions. The same may be said of church boards, school boards, and the executives of fraternal societies. The towns that go ahead, and the societies that outstrip their fellows in usefulness are those who pass the honors around and do not allow one or two individuals to continually "hog" the best positions.

CAN MOVE LARGE TREES SAFELY, SAY NURSERYMEN

Earth Should Be Left Around Most of the Roots.

Here and there on many farms, and on many smaller places as well, are large trees which the owners would prefer to have in some other portion of their property. For instance, here and there, because of changes in the property since the planting was first made, a tree is found to be in the way of a laneway or drive, or perhaps a garage could be most conveniently placed there if it were not for the tree in question. There are many changes which come with the passing years, any one or all of which might render a tree here and there to be not only detrimental, but harmful. After a tree has been planted and given greater or less care for years, there are few who would willingly destroy it. But there are comparatively few who would undertake to remove a fairly large tree in fear of killing it.

Nurserymen say this fear is all wrong. They point out that trees from 20 to 25 feet high may be moved with comparative safety if the proper method be followed. Of course they differ in this as in all other

things. Some say it should be moved in the fall or winter, and others say it should not be touched until the spring. But on one thing do they all agree, and that is the method employed in the actual moving.

A deep trench is first dug in a circle around and out some feet from the stem or trunk of the tree. This must be in depth and width proportionate to the size of the tree. All trees should have a root system almost equal in diameter of the branches above. Having dug down sufficiently deep to be at the bottom of the roots, the soil is then cut away in toward the centre, so as to leave the roots encased in a ball of earth. Of course long running roots will have to be cut here and there, but the main idea is to leave this ball of earth entirely surrounding all the roots just as it had grown.

The next important thing is with regard to the moving. A hole somewhat larger than that to be occupied by the ball of roots and earth must then be prepared where the tree is to be reset. Care must be taken in the moving not to shake off the earth from the roots and the best way to insure its adherence is to leave it until the frost has got into it well and thus solidified it so that it will withstand the shaking and mauling of the removal.

Once it has been set in the new place new earth should be tightly packed about it on all sides. Care must also be taken not to break the bark too seriously in the moving. The main things are easy to remember: Leave a big, ample ball of earth around the roots. Move it when the frost will hold that earth in place and pack it carefully after it has been set in the new hole. Ordinary intelligence about other little matters incidental to the removal will give the tree every chance to go ahead and grow when spring again sends the sap up to the buds. In the parlance of the nursery, "She will never know she has been moved" if this be carried out correctly.

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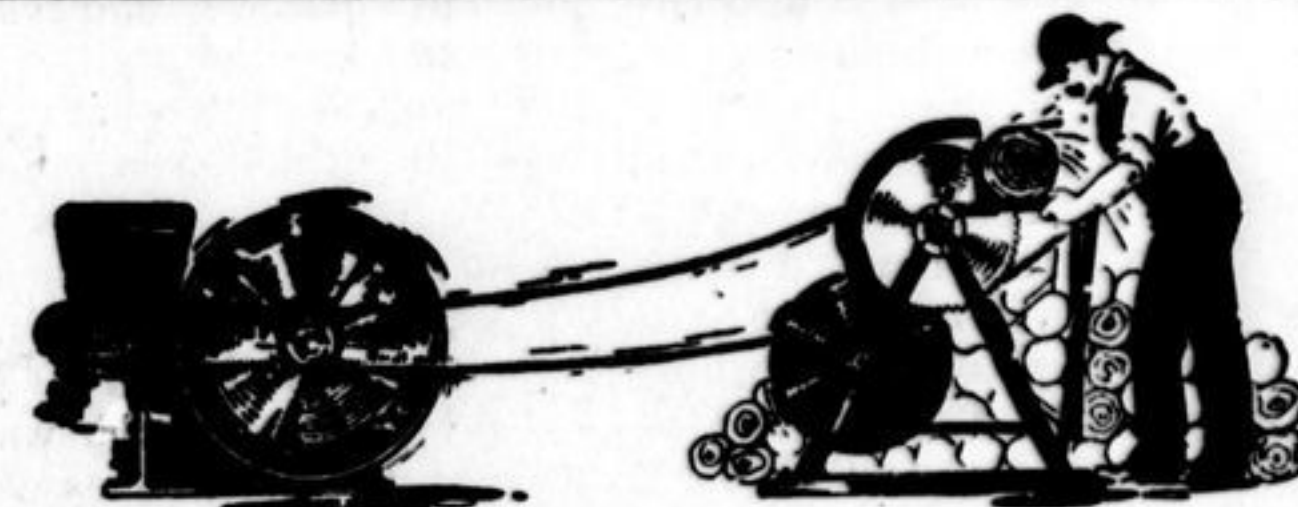
A victim of chronic bronchitis called on a doctor to be examined. The doctor, after careful questioning assured the patient that the ailment would respond readily to treatment. "I suppose you must have had a great deal of experience with the disease?" said the sufferer.

The doctor smiled wisely and replied: "Why, my dear sir, I've had bronchitis myself for over fifteen years."

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