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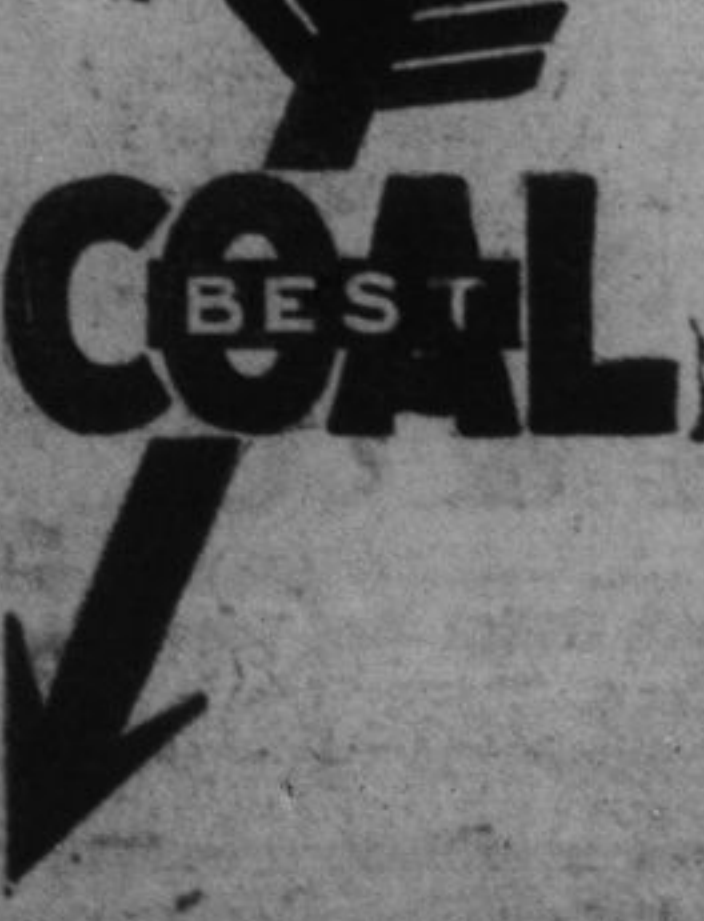
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QUESTION, WHO IS WHO?

The Montreal group of touters against the reciprocity deal want to know what A. M. Grenfell, of London, knows about Canadian or American conditions. As one of the financial houses of Chaplin, Milne & Grenfell, through whom large Canadian loans have been effected, he knows quite as much, and more, than his assailants. He is quite as good an authority as some of the Toronto noise makers, who are issuing manifestoes, which are dubbed by the News as of great national importance. It all depends, it seems, upon who the shout is. If a liberal, though hard to identify in an election, the gods are expected to sit up and listen, and the ministers are expected to fear and tremble. If a conservative of the Balfour school, and so a tariff reformer, as Mr. Grenfell is, he is a nobody and his critics demand to know what he is fussing about!

FACING A NEW ISSUE.

The inevitable will happen. The International Waterways Commission gets in its work, and all the municipalities along the great lakes are made to cease turning the sewage into ditches. Such a result has long been contemplated, and the necessity of it becomes apparent when the medical authorities of the Conservation Commission and other bodies pronounced the cause of the municipalities as injurious, because the water, which so largely entered into the domestic uses of the people, was seriously tainted. Kingston will, sooner or later, and the sooner the better, have to consider the establishment of a disposal works, and it is bound to be expensive. Hamilton has such a works now, with plants at two points, and the cost must have been half a million dollars. Toronto has under construction an outfit which will cost \$3,000,000. The first thing is to select a site, and build towards it an intercepting sewer. The second requirement will be the appliances for extracting the solids from the sewage and letting the liquids go, after a chemical treatment which will make them harmless in the waters of the bay and river. Here is a big contract which will be presently forced upon the city, entailing an expenditure of \$300,000 or \$350,000, and it is an expenditure which cannot be shirked.

THE SCARCITY OF TEACHERS.

The minister of education is the object of constant attack, and without reason, the Hon. Dr. Pyne, for some reason, holds his office, or for some reason is not removed from it. That reason has nothing to do with his usefulness, because he is incapable of effort in the way of introducing or carrying through any educational reforms. The doctor claims credit for raising the teachers' salaries, but is the claim well-founded?

He projected a scheme three years ago by which the salaries of the rural schools were to be of a certain standard. But the rural school trustees got together and decided that this legislation should go, and they won their point. The minister heard their protest, and surrendered. The raise in the salaries of the urban teachers followed a scarcity of teachers for which the honourable the minister of education, should be properly credited. He abolished many of the model schools. At one time he proposed to abolish them all, but has retained a number, because he cannot avoid it, and later he may be forced to reëstablish those which he closed up.

In the last year in which the counties had their model schools there were 1,750 pupil-students in attendance. The idea was that the Normal school would do all the work, and do it better, and in 1908 the total number of students in them was 1,163, and only half of those were recruits, the rest having taught before and decided to get higher qualifications.

The great shortage of teachers, therefore, was not occasioned by the exodus or removal of large numbers to the newer provinces, (which is the Pyne theory), though some teachers have gone west, but by the inability of the former number of student-teachers to take up Normal school studies as soon as they have passed out of the Collegiate Institute.

One result is the giving of 1,908 inferior teachers, who have permits to do a work for which they are not qualified. Moreover there is a discrimination in those cases which is not fair to the large number of

OUR MUNICIPAL FINANCES.

Mr. Carson, in the Financial Post, further discusses the accounts of a municipality, and in this article comments upon the assets and liabilities. Municipal works are not conducted for monetary profit. Citizens receive dividends in the form of health, comfort and convenience, and the city is the best off which renders the best service towards these ends, at the lowest cost.

"It matters little," says the Financial Post, "if the capital account or surplus of assets over liabilities remains stationary, or is greatly increased or diminished from year to year. A city's credit is not determined by such surpluses, as in the case of an industrial corporation which is organized for gain. The real capital is the assessment for taxation, for by this is the indebtedness restricted and the ability to pay determined. If this argument is admitted—and the writer fails to see how it can be successfully controverted—then the necessity for a uniform basis of valuation for assessment becomes imperative, if an intelligent judgment is to be rendered, and a proper rating assigned."

The assessment of Kingston being limited, the necessity becomes the greater for care and economy in the management of the public funds. The earnings of the utilities should be husbanded, and these utilities should be managed so that they will serve the people efficiently and be self-sustaining. It is a poor policy to use up the earnings for general municipal purposes and borrow money from the banks for improvements, every dollar so borrowed entailing a charge of another dollar for interest, provided the loan runs for the usual period of twenty years.

The Financial Post touches a point of special local interest in view of the fact that the gas and electric plants had a surplus last year. "What disposition," says our contemporary, "should be made of such funds if they may not be used for the reduction of taxes, or for building extensions and improvements to plants? The answer is obvious. If the patrons of the various utilities, after meeting all operating costs, capital charges, and ample depreciation, had not been overcharged there would exist no surplus accounts to cause the enquiry." The ample depreciation has not been met here, and in view of the fact that the account has been missing since the works were taken over by the city it follows that the thousands now on hand should be held for restoration purposes, some portions of it being available for immediate improvements. The plan of running to the bank for loans to meet the current wants of the power and light department is surely tiresome.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

In future a bank charter can only be secured when a large cash deposit has been made with the government. There would be any more financial kite flying of the Farmers' Bank kind.

The liberals of Ontario proposed to move an amendment to the liquor act. It will be to the effect that the majority shall rule. This principle should predominate in every department of government.

The Hamilton Herald has it correctly when it says that if the newer provinces be denied the advantage of reciprocity the people will be permanently embittered towards the east. The situation is more serious than some people seem to think.

The members of the opposition complain because the ministers will not sit in the house and look pleased while hour after hour is spent in fruitless talk about reciprocity. And the same complainants go out and disappear when the ministers speak. Here is real courtesy.

St. Thomas has a street railway which has been run at a financial loss. Under a new management it is hoped to make the thing at least self-sustaining, but there must be an immediate expenditure of \$25,000, perhaps \$30,000. The small city that wants the luxury of a street railway must pay for it.

A man in Georgetown, N.Y., has been sentenced to life imprisonment for stealing a turkey, this being his third offence. If he had made away with a carload of turkeys or a whole turkey farm he would have got off lightly. Great moral lessons are taught by the American judiciary on the inverse ratio plan.

Some party defections are threatened should the reciprocity pact go through. And they are based on the allegation that the trade agreement will affect the nationalism of the individual. The man who is moved by monetary considerations, by the fact that his pocket will be affected, is a patriot of the pecuniary kind.

Sir James Whitney is so much wedded to the three-fifths clause in the liquor act that it is a wonder he does not incorporate it in the election law. A provision to the effect that the opposition cannot attain to power until it is supported by three-fifths of the voters would guarantee him a long

HORSE IS LIVELY

REMARKABLE RADIUM EXPERIMENTS MADE IN PARIS.

Injections Had Great Rejuvenating Effects—Weight of Horse Increased by 76 Pounds.

London, Feb. 22.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Mail has visited Prof. Gabriel Petit, whose declaration that radium injections into the arteries of a very old horse had extraordinary rejuvenating effects, caused a sensation, and has seen the horse in question.

Prof. Petit declared that while it was too early for him to give any detailed information about his experiments with the object of finding an efficient radio-active serum, he was, nevertheless, greatly encouraged by the results he had obtained.

The now aged horse had been chosen for the experiment, as it was easier to observe than a rabbit.

"I do not expect to see a fiery war-horse snorting with high spirits," Prof. Petit said. "Our horse is very far from that, and you will appreciate its value when I tell you he only cost \$5 (\$20)."

The correspondent says he "found the animal to be a middle-sized brown farm horse, with a shaggy coat and a furrow in the neck, where the injections had been made. Teeth and eyes bore the marks of great age, but the horse was quite brisk and seemed in remarkably good condition. It was worn out when it arrived at the school, eighteen months ago. Before the injections it weighed 725 pounds, and four weeks after the operation turned the scale at 801 pounds."

An Awful Possibility.

Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

An esteemed contemporary has discovered another awful possibility of the proposed trade arrangement with the United States. Maryland strawberries are ready for the market weeks ahead of the Ontario produce, and the market free there is nothing to prevent the Maryland growers shipping in their berries by the carload.

Just think of the blow to the old empire and the disgrace to the old flag it would be if the people of Ontario were allowed to buy strawberries at so much a box instead of so much a acre, weeks before the native crop is ready.

And what is to prevent the unscrupulous American grower inoculating his fruit with annexation germs for the corruption and destruction of Canadian loyalty? Even without the annexation germs the cultivation of a Canadian taste for American fruit would surely be followed by dangerous consequences. Who knows but that the American strawberry may yet appear to have been the forbidden fruit whose mortal taste brought death into the world and all our woes?

With our eyes open to the awful results that have attended the introduction of the American banana, not to speak of the orange and lemon, will we tamely tolerate the early strawberry?

Church Losing in Power.

Hamilton Times.

At a great church conference in Pittsburgh, the other day, Charles Stielke, of the Labor Temple, New York, declared that "the church is sick, not only losing ground in the cities where the masses of people live. If this tendency continues, and the church is to dominate the nation, it doesn't require a prophet to foretell the inevitable result, so far as the church is concerned. It is a simple problem in arithmetic." He said there was a great work to be done if the church was to retain its influence. He claimed that the church is responsible for the spirit of social unrest, having been the greatest trouble-maker in history. It was right, he said, for the church to make people dissatisfied, but it was not right for it to levy to professional agitators the duty of satisfying them. But if the church attempts to satisfy the dissatisfied, it will have its work cut out.

Huge Scheme of Marriage.

Canadian Gazette.

There are 50,000 eligible bachelors in Western Canada. There are more than 50,000 eligible and unmarried women in England. Hence the mission which has brought to this country Mr. Howell, a former officer in the Salvation Army in Canada. He comes to find 5,000 English girls, willing to become the wives of Canadian farmers. He tells us that he has appointed a staff of Canadian ladies to help him in recruiting in London, at Bristol, Reading, Taunton, Chelmsford, Ashford, and elsewhere. Each of them will preach from the text that there are immediate positions awaiting at least 2,000 English girls in the Canadian west, positions which will set them well on the way towards becoming mistresses of their own farm homes.

A Conflict Between the People.

Hamilton Herald.

Anything which helps to increase the cleavage between the two sections of the dominion is a check upon the growth of a broad Canadian spirit, and a menace to Canadian nationality. If reciprocity were jettisoned because the east does not want it, would not the west, which wants it, be permanently embittered against the east? This cleavage in sentiment between the two sections of the dominion would be a far more serious handicap in the work of building up a homogeneous Canadian nation than is the long stretch of wilderness north of Lake Superior.

Death of Westport Lady.

Westport, Feb. 20.—Died at Westport, in her home, on Monday, February 13th, Mrs. E. O. Whitmarsh, aged forty-two years. The funeral took place, Wednesday, to the Methodist church. Yesterday morning, at the Methodist parsonage, the wedding took place of Miss Ethel Hughes, and Herbert B. Taggart, both of Salem. A reception was given on Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grady, who had returned from their wedding trip. Mrs. Arthur Nilcock, who has been the guest of Brockville friends, the past month, returned on Saturday.

At Chaffey's Lock.

Chaffey's Locks, Feb. 4.—William Kerruish is moving, this week, from the Regan farm to the Mill residence here. He has sold the most of his farm stock by private sale, to Mr. Dempster, of Gananoque. J. E. O'Brien, Montreal, is expected here in a few days, to settle with the C.N.R. company for the right of way over his property. The rest of the property owners of this section have been settled with good satisfaction with the C.N.R. company. J. K. Jordan, wife and child are to leave, in a few days, for Southern Alberta, where he will be employed on bridge building for the provincial government. J. E. and M. Murphy, Brockville, are visiting in this section, before returning to Cleveland, Ohio. Missabel Keller has been turned from Leeland.

The Watered Stock Bill.

The watered stock bill was killed in the Ontario legislature.

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News From Phillipsville.

Phillipsville, Feb. 11.—Samuel Fardin was called to Ogdenburg, on account of the serious illness of his mother. Mrs. Arvin Brown is under the doctor's care. Mrs. Maria Philips put, her shoulder out of commission, while dressing. The doctor was called in and reduced the fracture.

George Whitmore, an old resident in his seventy-eighth year, passed over to the silent majority. The body was placed in the Elgin vault. In the spring his remains will be laid beside those of his wife, who predeceased him six years ago.

Mrs. Anna Shire is having the material for a residence placed on the lot she purchased on College street. It will be rushed to completion as soon as the weather will admit. William and Michael Kennedy, H. Putnam and Charles Hagerty went east, on a business trip last Friday. A large number of tenant farmers are moving to try and better their conditions. A number from here attended the funeral of the late Mr. McIntyre, merchant at Harlem. His remains were placed in the vault at Elgin.

St. Lawrence, Wolfe Island.

St. Lawrence, Feb. 18.—Quite a number from this vicinity attended the A.O.U.W. ball, Monday night. School reopened on February 1st, with Miss Cynthia Barry as teacher. George McDonald finished some large contracts pressing here and moved up the island. W. B. Kent, engaged as cheesemaker in St. Lawrence factory for past eleven years, left on Wednesday with his family for Latimer, where he has purchased a large factory. Frank Elery, Pittsburgh, visited this section buying horses. Bernard Morgan, of Ashland, Wis., visiting his father, George Morgan, St. Lawrence, returned home on Monday. Farmers took advantage of the good roads and ice to draw hay, grain and timber to Kingston. On Friday evening a number of young folks drove to the residence of Mr. Cummings, Clayton, N.Y., where an enjoyable evening was spent. W. Dixon, Depauville, N.Y., spent a few days visiting Capt. W. Handford. Mr. Dixon was formerly of Wolfe Island and is doing well across the line.

Ardoch Boy Broke Leg.

Ardoch, Feb. 16.—A sad accident occurred here a few days ago, when Alcie Jenneir's little boy, Wilford, fell down stairs and broke his leg. He is doing very nicely. John Bourke and Mrs. R. M. Mauro are ill. A number of the young people here, spent an enjoyable evening at W. Wagner's on the 14th. Dr. Geddes has returned to his work here, after spending a short time at his home in Elphen. The Chandler and Jones trams are drawing logs from Mr. Weber's to the Mississippi river. Victor MacLean has returned home, after visiting. Snow Road. Visitors: Mrs. R. G. Watkins, at R. M. Mauro's; Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson and Miss W. Webster, at William A. Miller's; Mrs. J. B. McKenzie and little son, Howard, at Matthews MacLean's; A. O. Yeomans at W. Wagner's; J. Godkins and William McCormick, of Plezna, stayed over night, at R. G. Watkins', on their way to Clarendon.

Wolfelander's Death.

Wolfel Island, Feb. 21.—About 12:30 a.m. Monday, February 19th, there passed away, in the person of James C. Kemp, one of the oldest residents on the island. He had been ailing for several months, and death came as a happy release. His end was peaceful, he being conscious to the last, knowing all the members of his family who were present. His wife predeceased him a year and a half. Mr. Kemp was a native of England, coming to this country when he was sixteen years of age, in the year 1837. His first home was in Kingston. Four years later he came to the island and settled on the farm where he spent the rest of his life. In religion he was a member of the Church of England and a faithful adherent to his church. In politics he was a conservative, a member of the Orange order. His death leaves another gap among those who have done so much to cultivate the island and make it into the prosperous place it is. He died full of years and honored by all who knew him. The following

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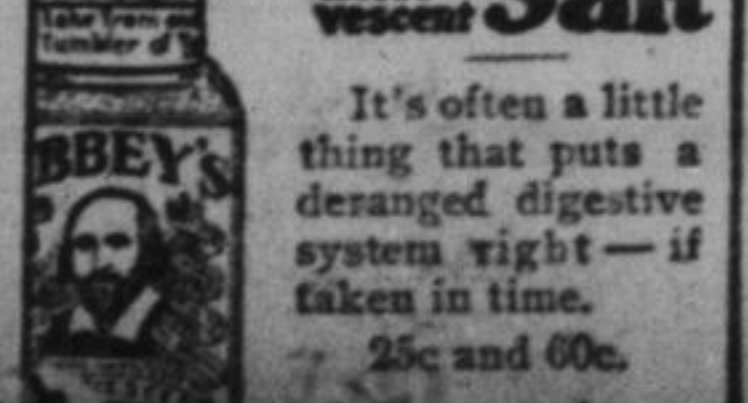
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