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P. C. LARKIN MENTIONED

For Canadian High Commissioner—One of Canada's Biggest Men.



P. C. LARKIN

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The name of P. C. Larkin, Toronto, head of the Salada Tea Company, is mentioned in connection with the Canadian high commissioner in London.

"From Commercial Traveller to Tea King of America" sounds like romancing, but such is the record of P. C. Larkin, the man who directs the largest wholesale tea business on this continent—a business which owes its present immensity to the ability and unremitting effort of its founder.

Today in eleven of the largest cities of North America and in London, England, are huge warehouses that store nothing but leaves—three of them being the largest tea warehouses in the world—and P. C. Larkin, the one time commercial traveller, is the force responsible. He is the man, who, starting business in a small way, saw his product gradually become a household word not only throughout the Dominion, but through the United States and many other lands, and now he is the happy possessor of a fortune and an enviable reputation in all quarters of the globe as a merchant prince.

Yet those who approach Mr. Larkin for the details of his successful career find him reticent to an unusual degree, considering that his achievements are such as any man might be proud to boast of. Mr. Larkin might modestly claim that he simply took a commodity which was badly handled and placed it before the public in a more desirable form. He would possibly admit, under pressure, that it was he who originated the lead package, which assures the retention of the tea's native fragrance.

But what Mr. Larkin might not say, and what is actually a fact is that the phenomenal expansion of a small Canadian tea house to one of the largest, finest and best known mercantile concerns in the world can be credited almost wholly to one man's vision and initiative and to his anxiety to be of real service. Mr. Larkin's life aim has been to do a job better than his competitors—and that his methods are successful and increasing popularity of his product, appreciated is evidenced by the ever increasing popularity of his product.

Notwithstanding the heavy demands of his business, Mr. Larkin has always been public spirited, and has played an active and appreciable part in affairs both local and national. For seventeen years, he was vice-chairman of the Toronto General Hospital Board, and to this institution he has given in a generous way of his means, his time and his effort.

He was one of the few to whom that magnificent pile of hospital buildings covering nine acres and costing over three-and-three-quarter millions of dollars, is due.

It is a well known fact that Mr. Larkin has been a life long Liberal and that he was a very close personal friend of Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier. He was Sir Wilfrid's host at all times on his visits to Toronto, and for very many years, he enjoyed an unusual intimacy with the Liberal leader. Possibly no man was in Sir Wilfrid's confidence to quite the same extent as Mr. Larkin, and possibly the Liberal cause has never known a more staunch supporter.

Mr. Larkin's relationship to the Hon. William Mackenzie King, is believed to be just as cordial as that between the "Tea King" and the former leader. It is not generally known, but it is said to be a fact, that immediately after the recent general election, Mr. Larkin was the first man summoned to Ottawa.

Mr. Larkin to date has refused all honors offered him and his actions have always been so obviously inspired by the interests of the citizens as he saw them, that he has been termed "The Colonel House of Canada."

It is well worth noting that he is the first prominent Canadian to have appeared in the United States since December 6th. He recently spoke before the Boston Chamber of Commerce on the brightness of the prospects of Canada's difficulties being successfully met.

It should also incidentally be mentioned that Mr. Larkin's only son, Capt. Gerald Larkin, served in France for four years.

Truly Mr. Larkin's life story is one of constant devotion to the highest principles in business, in politics and as a citizen.

For a man has reached the point where people envy him it is difficult to pose as a pessimist.

Bottles and Revolvers.

Toronto Mail and Empire. It is a good deal easier to get possession of a revolver in Ontario than a bottle of whiskey.

It is a good deal more difficult to acquire the implements of intoxication than the implements of murder.

It used to be said that when we had prohibition crime would be virtually abolished. This has not proved to be the case, and it cannot be expected ever to be the case so long as a man or a youth may get possession of a revolver and cartridges enough to kill a score of people for a few dollars. The man who is seen on the way to intoxication may be arrested by a policeman and his ambition frustrated. There is no way in which a policeman can detect a man on his way to commit a murder in his pocket. It is only after the crime has been committed or attempted that the police have any warning.

In the great majority of cases they cannot act until it is too late to prevent a crime. When through accident a man is arrested on suspicion and is found to be in possession of a revolver he is fined a tenth or a twentieth of the sum that he would be fined for carrying a flask of whiskey. In fact, to carry a revolver is regarded by the law as no more serious offence than parking an automobile on a downtown street.

The number of people who can show a reason for being in possession of firearms is not one per cent. of the number that can show the medical profession a reason for being in possession of a bottle of whiskey. Yet the law finds little difficulty in regulating the latter. Every stage of the transaction is on record. The doctor's books can be checked up and compared with the prescription forms in the possession of the government and there is also the signature of the person who receives the liquor as a further means of identification. It should not be beyond the ability of our law-makers to frame equally stringent regulations with regard to the possession of revolvers.

The offence of carrying a weapon ought to be punished with a jail term. Private citizens who own revolvers might be compelled to report the fact and either show reason why they should continue in possession of them or surrender them. Pawnbrokers ought not to be allowed to handle these weapons as they handle old hats. Conspicuous warnings ought to be posted along the frontier informing visitors that the possession of a revolver is regarded as a serious offence in Canada. Such amendments to our laws might make the way of the gunman a little harder and his crimes a little more difficult of execution.

IVORY
4 only, Ivory Trays, \$3.25 to \$1.75
3 only, Ivory Trays, \$1.50 to .95c.
3 Hand Mirrors, \$6.50 to \$4.50
4 only, Powder Boxes, \$1.25 to .95c.
4 only, Powder Cans, \$1.00 to .75c.

VERONA ENTERTAINMENT.

Verona Defeats Bellrock at Hockey—Christmas Visitors.

Verona, Dec. 27.—The Christmas tree and entertainment held at the Orange hall on Thursday night was well attended and the programme was splendid. The kiddies were delighted with the gifts which Santa Claus gave out.

The proceeds are to be used to purchase supplies for the Sunday school, for the coming year. The junior hockey match here on Monday between Verona and Bellrock was a very good game and showed that the younger class were in very good shape. Verona won by two goals. The game was a tie at full time and they played an extra five minutes on each side. Verona scored one goal in each period, making the score; five to two in Verona's favor.

Among the Christmas visitors were: Wilfred Craig, Toronto, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Craig. Robt. Craig, Sydenham, is spending the holidays at home. Miss Elsie Craig is also home for the holiday; Miss Nadeane Geddes, of the K. C. L., is holidaying at home. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Grant spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anson Grant. Mr. and Mrs. E. Grant, and daughter Fern, Glenvale, at her mother's, Mrs. A. Ryder's; Master Clifford Quinn, Kingston, with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ryder. Mr. and Mrs. H. Lee, Lonsdale, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davy; Joseph Mcullen, Detroit, is spending the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. McMullen; Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Burleigh, Miss Buelah, and Mr. Herbert, of Kingston, and Ross Burleigh, Arden, spent Christmas with their daughter and sister, Mrs. George Lakins at Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Percy's, George Reynolds, of the Merchants Bank at Parham, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Reynolds.

Mrs. E. S. Campbell and Children are spending the holidays with friends in Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watson are spending the holiday at their home here. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Goodberry and son, Paquette, are visiting friends and relatives in and around Verona. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. York and son, Glencoe, spent Christmas week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. York. Mrs. Katherine Irish, Yarker, spent Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Hartman. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Van Lerven, Collin's Bay, spent a part of their honeymoon with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hartman. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Martin, Kingston, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. York. Miss Dorothy Smith, New York, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith.

MEN'S SOX
In Black and Heather mixtures—the season's best sellers. Prices: 50c. to 75c. Clearing prices.

ARM BANDS
In Silk with movable buckles. 25c. and 35c.

BRACES
In good elastic webb with all leather ends—45c., 65c., 75c.

GIFT NECKWEAR
Men's Ties in such elaborate patterns that you can't help but buy—in narrow and flowing ends. Prices 45c. to 95c. A few left at 25c. These are exceptional values.

James R. Steele who since August has been acting postmaster at Woodstock following the retirement of H. J. Finkle in July, has been made the permanent head.

Clearing Sale of Christmas Goods

For Saturday and Tuesday only

CAMISOLES

18 only, Ladies' Camisoles in Red, Blue and plain Black. \$3.98. To clear . . . \$2.25
18 only, Ladies' Camisoles in Pink and White. \$2.98. To clear \$1.25

Battenberg Table Covers, 75c. To clear 50c.
White Doilies . . . 15c. each
Three for 25c.
Sideboard Scarfs with Blue Flowered pattern, 75c. . . 50c.
Blue Embroidered Tablecloths, 36" x 36"—75c. 50c.
Bed Spreads, Honeycomb pattern—70" x 86"—\$2.98— . . \$2.25
Battenberg Tea Cozy Covers—50c. 25c.

SLEEPING DOLLS

TO CLEAR AT REDUCED PRICES
12 only, Fanny Double-Jointed Dolls, \$4.00 \$2.75
19 only, Double-Jointed Dolls—\$2.50 \$1.75
24 only, Double-Jointed Dolls—\$2.00 \$1.25
6 only, Dressed Dolls, \$1.75— \$1.15
Big reductions on Celluloid Kewpie Dolls.

GAMES

The following 25c. Games will be cleared at 10c.—Lost Heir, Tiddley Winks, Nations and Checkers.

FORKS, KNIVES AND SPOONS
Silver Forks, Knives and Spoons
At \$9.50 to be cleared \$6.50 doz
At \$8.80 to be cleared \$6.25 doz
At \$4.98 to be cleared \$3.25 doz

PURSES

Ladies' and Children's Purses to be cleared at greatly reduced prices.

CHINA

Coffee Sets, Fanny pattern—\$5.50 \$3.75
Tea, Sugar and Cream Sets, Fanny pattern, \$8.50 . . . \$2.25
Berry Sets, Fanny pattern—\$2.75 \$1.98
Bon-Bon Dishes, 85c. 50c.
Bon-Bon Dishes, 25c. 20c.

GLASSWARE

Glassware at greatly reduced prices.

STATIONERY

Stationery in boxes at the following prices: \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.25; \$1.50, \$1.15; \$1.00, 70c.; 75c., 50c.; 20c., 15c.

HANDKERCHIEFS

Ladies' Emb. Edged Handkerchiefs; 6 in box, \$3.25— . . . \$1.25 box
Ladies' Colored Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs—2 for 40c. 2 for 25c.
Ladies' White Emb. Edged Handkerchiefs; 6 in box—\$2.25 \$1.50 box
Ladies' White Handkerchiefs 3 in box, 25c. 15c. box
Children's Pictured Handkerchiefs 20c. each . . . 2 for 25c.

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All Christmas merchandise greatly reduced. It is not too late yet to buy that gift, because we have a large variety to choose from, and at remarkably (low) tempting prices.

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Neat patterns and a wide range to choose from, all double cuff. Regular \$1.75 to \$3.50 values. Prices \$1.00 to \$2.45

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In all styles at clearing prices.
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The best all wool Sock on the market. Regular \$1.00. Saturday 50c.

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Men's Ties in such elaborate patterns that you can't help but buy—in narrow and flowing ends. Prices 45c. to 95c. A few left at 25c. These are exceptional values.

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Don't overlook these striking bargains. Men's Suits in Grey, Brown and assorted Tweeds. To clear \$12.45 and \$14.95

MEN'S OVERCOATS

Better grade all wool Worsted and Serges—regular \$45.00 and \$50.00 Suits to clear at \$24.45

MEN'S OVERCOATS

Good, heavy weight materials—all well lined; made up in Ulster and Ulsterette models. To clear at \$14.95 and \$19.95

BOYS' OVERCOATS

In all wool Tweed Mixtures—all lined—belt all-round. Saturday \$9.95 to \$12.95

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