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THE BIG BROTHER OF THE ANTILLES

WRITTEN FOR THE WHIG BY ARTHUR HUNT CRUTE.

I was lately looking over a statement of the United Fruit Company, a financial report, more wondrous than the fairy tales of Grimm.

Few stocks listed on the exchange have cut more melons than that of the United Fruit Company. But their money was not made in Wall street. A large proportion of their dividends was realized from trade with the British possessions to the south.

I look for a day when Canada will have her share of that great trade. The history of the past inclines one to look forward towards increasing associations between Canada and the West Indies. With common citizenship, each is complimentary to the other. The fact that we are all British should be more than sentiment in its effect on permanent lines of trade.

In the halcyon days of sailing ships, Canada was the fourth maritime country of the world. At that time our booming industry of shipping depended primarily upon the commerce of the West Indies. More than one great Bank of Canada was then founded with the wealth which came from that same commerce.

What we have done once, I believe that we may do again. When I read the United Fruit Company's report, I catch therein a vision of new fields of Canadian endeavor.

Trinidad is fast becoming the Hong Kong of the West Indies. What T. Geddes Grant, a Canadian Scot, is accomplishing there is a presage of what many another Canadian may even yet accomplish in this British field of virgin promise.

In Bermuda, I am constantly reminded of the opportunities for us that lie along these nearer routes of trade.

From my winter home, at Fairlyland Point, I see the steamers of the Canadian Pacific, of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, and of the Royal Mail Company plying back and forth, like a weaver's shuttle.

Bermuda is not one of the West Indies. It is, however, the half-way house between Canada and the Antilles.

In matters of transshipment it is confidently stated that the Furness Withy Company intend to make Bermuda a great shipping centre, the hub of the wheel, in the company's operations in Canadian-American and West Indian waters. The Bermuda West Indies Steamship Company Limited has been organized in connection with the development scheme for the running of hotels, warehouses, etc.

The best trade scouts are always those most directly concerned in the business. Sam Vauclain's maxim was, "If you want markets get after them."

How much business we lose in Canada just because we ignore that maxim!

Not long ago I was lunching in the India House, down town in New York.

In the course of conversation, a friend inquired, "Are you Canadian foot?"

"Why?"
"Well for instance the bulk of the cocoa you get in Canada from West Indies passes through the hands of American brokers. Why can't you handle that yourself?"

"Why can't we? We can if some bright young man in Halifax, Montreal or elsewhere will wake up to the possibilities of West India trade."

It is the popular thing with some of our folks when they take a holiday to trot off to Florida, California or Atlantic City. Why not take a trip from Sam Vauclain, and combine profit with pleasure in such trips? Go to places where you will find enjoyment, plus potential markets for Canadian business.

Take a Royal Mail boat out of Halifax for the West Indies. In Bermuda and Barbadoes are tourist resorts equal to the coast of Florida, while beyond its pleasing features that Royal Mail tour abounds with opportunities for the Canadian business men who pass that way with eyes open.

Millions of bunches of bananas every year pass in through New York and other American ports, from there to the markets of Canada. Why can't a bit of that same trade come through the ports of Halifax and St. John? Why should Canada in the banana trade depend solely on the monopoly of the United Fruit Company?

Increasing commercial relations between West Indies and Canada is a most logical affair. We are north. They are South. Each is complementary to the other, and best of all both north and south are British.

With the opening up of the Panama Canal, new and undreamed of trade routes are awaiting development.

The Royal Mail Line from Halifax passes through the Leeward Isles, and on to Georgetown, British Guiana. But Georgetown is not the end, it is only the beginning of vision. When the railroad to Manaos, in the Amazon Valley, is completed, and when that in turn is linked with Demerara, Georgetown will be the ocean terminal of the South American railroads.

British Guiana itself has not begun to touch the fringes of its possibilities. No other country to the south appeals to me so strongly. Listening to the gossip in the local club there I feel that British Guiana is a Land of Promise, waiting for another Cecil Rhodes.

In British Guiana on the mainland, in Trinidad, in Barbadoes, and in Jamaica, and in all those scattered British Islands, there lies an alluring field for Canadian business enterprise.

The Fordney tariff has banged one door in the face of Canada, and also in the face of the West Indies. That closing door has taught us that if we cannot put trust in foreign markets we can put trust in British markets, because the lines of trade established between ourselves are not subject to change and disarrangement.

A preference has already been arranged between us. Under this reciprocity agreement, products like sugar, rice, coconuts, coffee and oranges, to mention only a few articles, are admitted at a reduced rate to Canadian ports, whilst Canadian manufactured goods are sent to the West Indies at a special ad valorem rate.

The direct result of that agreement has been of mutual benefit to both contrasting parties. American and German manufactured goods have found it increasingly difficult to compete with Canadian products whilst Canada has the advantage of cheaper agricultural produce.

With passing time I believe that Canada is destined to rise to a dominant place in the commercial and political policies of British North America, to become as it were the big brother of the Antilles.

GANANOQUE

Sept. 15.—A wedding of much interest to Gananoqueans was solemnized on Thursday evening when the Rev. Dean Kehoe united Gladys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Soles, Victoria avenue, and Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Byron, Brock street.

Mr. Herrington, Ottawa, was the guest of Dr. Fraser, yesterday. Miss Nellie Nalon, Rochester, N.Y., is in town on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Nalon, Main street.

Word was received here yesterday of the death of a former resident of Gananoque, Mrs. William Glover, who passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jack Young, in Brandon. The remains are expected here Sunday next when the funeral will take place from the residence of her son, Thomas Glover, Pine street.

Mrs. Edward LaChance, who has spent the past few months here with her mother, Mrs. H. Lee, Wellington street, returned home to Detroit to-day.

Herbert Dignas, who has been visiting friends here for the past several weeks, is going to spend the winter in California.

On the front page of Friday's Toronto Globe is shown a cut of a proposed C. N. R. building at the British Empire exhibition for which contracts have been placed. The architect is Eustace G. Bird, Toronto, brother of Dr. C. H. Bird, of this town. The building will be a most imposing structure.

The fire department was called out about nine o'clock yesterday morning. The fire did not amount to much, however, and was in a small house in the lane off Tanner street, owned by Mrs. William McDonald.

Misses Georgina Pergau and Pearl Seale were among those who took in the big fair at Lansdowne yesterday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers motored down from Hamilton and are spending the week-end at their lovely summer home on Whit Calf Island.

Mrs. W. V. Cotton is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Hutchinson, C.N.R. agent at Oshawa Junction, for a couple of weeks.

A skiff was missing from the canoe club on Thursday night and it is supposed the man who was hiding in the Brown barn on South street that day took it and made his escape. This increases the idea that he was probably one of the

escaped convicts from the Portsmouth penitentiary.

The Citizens' Band furnished music at the Lansdowne fair yesterday.

ALL READY FOR OPENING OF KINGSTON EXHIBITION

Which is To Take Place Tuesday—A Big Attendance Expected.



R. J. BUSHELL.

The stage is all set for the opening of the Kingston-Industrial exhibition which will take place on Tuesday morning at eight o'clock. For a week or ten days a number of the directors have spent considerable time getting things in readiness for the grand opening.

R. J. Bushell, secretary treasurer and manager, who spent the past four days at the Ottawa exhibition, returned to the city on Friday afternoon and is working day and night getting things in shape for the opening.

It is fully expected that the attendance this year will surpass all previous records.

The midway, which is one of the best attractions at the fair, is expected to arrive in the city on Monday at the latest and will be ready for the grand opening on Tuesday. The midway, which is owned by Henry Myrehoff, has played at Ottawa and will come direct to Kingston. Kingstonians who attended the Ottawa show, stated that the midway was excellent and that Kingston was very fortunate in getting such a good show.

It was learned at the secretary's office on Friday that all the available space in the main building had been allotted with one exception and there are all kinds of applications for that location. A large number of out of town concerns are anxious to get space.

There are so many entries for the cattle exhibits that it was found necessary to rent some large tents from the Turner firm at Peterboro. The cattle will commence to arrive in the city on Monday and will be placed under cover.

A portion of the roof on the main building, which has been in bad shape for some time, has been reshingled, and put in first class condition.

The entries in all classes will not close until Saturday night so it is expected that there will be a great rush at the last minute as has been the case during the past few years.

There is a special prize of \$75 offered for cheese, made during the months of July and August. The first prize is \$25, second prize \$20, third prize \$15, fourth prize \$10, and fifth prize \$5. A special prize of \$50, which is only open to makers in the county of Frontenac, has been offered for cheese made during the present season. The Standard Bank of Kingston has contributed \$35 of that sum, and G. G. Puhlow, L. L. Murphy and John Gibson have each given \$5 towards the prize money.

Some of the Features.

The directors have made special arrangements for performances in front of the grand stand both afternoon and evening. The Famous Hay Wagon cat is being brought direct from the Hippodrome and will be one of the features, twice daily at the fair.

A new feature of this year's fair will be the Woman's Institute section in the western end of the main building in which women of Frontenac district will display the arts and crafts of farm women. Here will be a Frontenac woman weaving at a loom, another spinning, and still another making real bobbin lace. Mats, braiding of straw for straw hats, fine embroidery, painting, and cooking of all kinds will be shown.

Some of the treasures from old grandmother chests will be unearthed, and fine linens woven long ago, will be among the interesting things in this exhibit. Along with the arts and crafts display will be the Child Welfare clinic, with a nurse from the Department of Health, Toronto, in charge, where mothers can have their babies weighed and receive advice, free of charge.

The Ontario Government will be one of the best exhibits at the fair. The government has rented four spaces as compared to three which it had last season.

The cadets of the Kingston Collegiate will give a physical drill in front of the main grand stand. The N.C.O.'s, who are taking special instruction at the Royal Military College, are to give a demonstration.

It has been arranged that two excellent horse races will take place each afternoon. Horses are coming to the city from all parts of the province which will mean some first class races. The dog show will be an added attraction.

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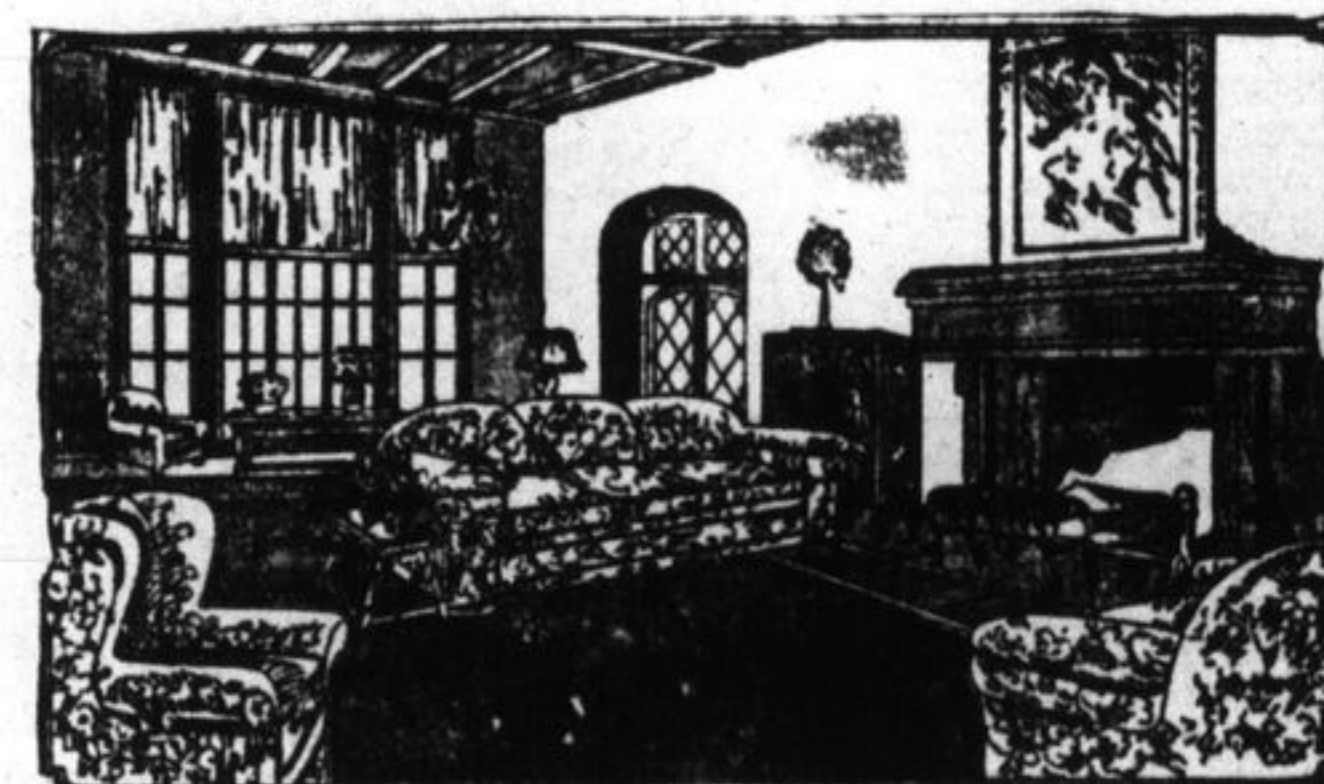
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A horse owned by Richard Moore, Wolfe Island, jumps from the ferry steamer and swims to shore near the local wharf.

September 15th, 1908.

The commission of the Presbyterian general assembly and the trustees of Queen's University open a conference here to decide as to the future relationship of the university with the church.

Negotiations are under way by the C.P.R. to purchase the Kingston and Pembroke railway.

The fall fairs of the district have all been favored with good weather. Fruit is very cheap this fall and large quantities are being shipped into the city.

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