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THE CANADIAN FORESTS.

Canada is a gross offender in the matter of forest depletion. We are selling our stocks at a very fast rate, ninety per cent, of the soft woods imported into the United States are o from Canadian forests. We also supply seven per cent. of Britain's requirements. There is alarm in Brit-London Times remarks that the reyears, when there will not be enough timber to go round and the timber- yearly wage will be distributed importing countries of the Empire dian forests, if economically managed keep the whole British Empire sup- of money. plied with softwoods. As things are the accumulated growth of centuries is being dissipated, and continuance of the excessive drain on the Dominion's resources will bring about the disappearance of all accessible stands of virgin softwood from Canada within twenty-five years.

In Connection with the Save-the-Forest week, to be observed this month, it is of interest to note that our national campaign for the conservation of one of the most valuable natural resources of the Dominion is only part of an Empire-wide movement in the same direction. main object of the Canadian Forest week is to arouse the public to the danger from fire, a danger which, to a large extent, is preventable. This is the principal cause of loss, and it is very necessary . that the popular mind should be duly impressed with the gravity of the situation.

Year by year campers and those who work in wooded areas, through carelessness and ignorance, are responsible for enormous damage, re- so long as these conditions obtain been very monotonous. sulting in heavy financial loss to the there will be an abundant crop of country and in the destruction of criminals and idlers, thes which cannot be replaced, un- preying on the public for generous der the most favorable conditions, support through thievery and bantill many years have elapsed. But ditry. if the fire menace could be entirely eliminated, there still remains the destruction from insect pests and the wasteful export of timber in an unmanufactured state.

At a meeting of the Empire For estry Association held iin the Guild hall, London, England, last month the Prince of Wales, who presided spoke of the great improvement which had come about in the methods of forest protection throughout the Empire, the Great War having demonstrated the supreme value of an asset which, in the past, had been regarded as inexhaustible, and therefore extravagantly dealt with. "I believe it is not too much to say," declared the Prince, "that the nations of the British Empire are now leading the world in the effort to ensure of those who die of pneumonia are for their products this year. Good against a shortage in this essential in the prime of life. The cause of material."

"unfortunate" that only 13 per cent. diseases have been made to disap- ity of recent years. of the timber imported into the Unit- pear, or at least to become unimpored Kingdom came from Empire tant, as soon as the cause was dissources, mentioning the fact that the covered. Is it not possible to find value of such imports last year means for controlling pneumonia? amounted to as much as \$230,000. Some years ago, ideas like these led coo. Canada, he said, produced the the authorities or the Hospital of the a half dozen million dollars. Only a finest softwood lumber in the world. Rockfeller Institute in New York few years ago each was an obscure and he appealed to large users of city to undertake the study of the cog: Lasky was a vaudeville actor; timber, such as railway companies disease. Already many new facts Zukor, a clothing salesman; Mayor, a and builders, to bear this in mind about it have been learned. Now, and Maine lumberjack, and Laemmle when they were placing orders.

If Canada is to supply the British the time will come when pneumonia Alley. softwood timber to other

BIELE THOUGHT tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cuncountries, it can only be done through increased conservation and reforestation measures. Let these things sink in!

TALK OF A NEW CALENDAR.

Calendar reform is in the air and committee of the League of Nations is considering the innovation. The suggestion is to have thirteen months of twenty-eight days each. People are unable to rid themselves of the superstition that for all practical purposes Easter is to be regarded as the first day of spring, and that once it has arrived the winter is over. In reality spring begins on March 21st, according to the calendar. This is not a moveable date like Easter, which in some years is much earlier than in others. It fell on April 4th this year and considerably later last year. Under the new calendar Easter would be a fixed

The last thirteen days of the present month of June, it is proposed, would be combined with the first fifteen days of July to make the new \$3.00 month, which is to be called "Sol" because the sun passes its summer solstice, denoting the longest day, on what is now June 21st, and would be on the new calendar Sol 4. This plan necessitates a "Leap Year." or "Year Day," such as is observed at sort. the present time.

A conservative English manufacturing company has estimated that The circulation of The British Whig by a new twenty-eight day month approximately \$21.43 an employee would be released for business expansion or investment during one month. Manufacturers, it is believed, would benefit quite generally from the release of the two and onehalf days' wages now paid and the two and one-half days' more margin of capital. Retailers, too, are supposed to -benefit from the regular circulation of money, the proportionain over our short-sightedness. The ate reduction of bad debts, the re- petual motion. gularity of expenditures and the suit will become apparent in future practicability of balancing twentyeight-day accounts. The worker's also benefit from the general cash reand protected against fire, could lease and the more even circulation

FALLEN ON EVIL DAYS

According to a recent report of the Children's Aid Society of New York 80 per cent of the crime in that city is committed by persons under 22 years of age. Manifestly there something wrong. It may be, and we think so, the home and the parents have not been all they should The parents have not safeguarded their offspring, have not controlled their waywardness and put into effective service the rod and the shingle. Those versed in psychology insist, that adequate punishment when needed is the most reli able deterrent and corrective of crime. It there were more of there would be fewer criminals, either over or under the age of twentytwo and the juvenile courts would be deserted, Softness with wheedling of children is predominant these days; dictation and disregard of parental authority prevails, and only been disagreeable but it has

CONQUERING PNEUMONIA

That pneumonia will some day as rare and little feared as yellow fever or the plague is the promise of Dr. Rufus Cole of the Hospital of the Rockfeller Institute of Medical Research. Pneumonia is such common disease that we do not ge very excited about it. Perhaps it's just as well because fright never helped overcome an enemy. death toll from pneumonia in New York annually is greater than from

any other disease, even tuberculosis. Formerly, it was thought that pneumonia killed only the old and infirm, infants and weaklings. Now we know that the greatest number and the prices the farmers receive the disease has been known for a His Royal Highness regarded it as long time. Many other infectious the excellent trade and the prosper-

will become as rare as yellow fever indulgence in alcohol are two condi- Kerr, Pittsburg, was heard at a point tions that render men and women 400 miles north of the Aretic Circle, susceptible to pneumonia. Ridding in North Baffin Land, almost 2,200 THAT WE HENCEFORTH mankind of the plague of pneumonia miles from Pittsburg. The "ap-BE NO MORE CHIL- is one of the greatest tasks to which plause card," relayed by telegraph science can devote time and money, from Montreal, was only recently It is today in this climate one of received by the minister. It was a

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Now that the marble season is on, even the children are rolling their

The man who paid his gasoline bill is sure he knows what makes the wheels go round.

One-half of the world certainly does not know how the other half lives in house-cleaning time.

Edison at seventy-nine says he can't stop working, and a lot of young fellows regard this as an awful warning.

A process has been discovered for securing drugs from old boots. The next move will be to restore spirits from old bottles! Benvenuto Cellini wrote about

blockheads 400 years ago. The world doesn't seem to have gone back even if it hasn't progressed. At one stage of last year's Arctic

expedition the members could hear jazz music broadcast from London. Then they pushed on farther north. Alberta leads all the provinces in the production of oil, coal and gas,

and when we say gas we mean gas

Lord Beaverbrook has decided to offer twenty-five travelling scholarships to high school teachers of New Brunswick as an experiment. It will be a sure success.

If the children are real noisy just the radio, then you can be convinced they are normal.

may be near at hand when old fid- these things. dlers will solve the problem of per-

that one had just as well say "dam"

sion is having hard sleding these days. The Congressmen and President Collidge think it has served its day. The political tariff is to their into its own. thinking the best yet.

The London editor of the Glasgow Herald has discovered a titled Canadian in the metropolis who confesses that the chief effect of his title is to cause his hotel bills to be larger than they might be if he were plain mis

portunities for a knowledge of civic and world affairs as yet totally unexplored by the average High school girl was a remark made by Mrs. Alexander, North Toronto, at a function there last week.

Just why our spring has been so late is something that the layman will not attempt to answer and there is a difference of opinion among the scientists. All we know is that it has

To learn to read with enjoyment, to be able to express themselves clearly and correctly in writing and to be at home with the basic rules of arithmetic should be the ideal on which elementary education should be concentrated, is the opinion of the Montreal Star. Secondary education can take care of itself.

The Financial Post, Toronto, not too friendly to the Liberal party, said a few days ago: "The Conservative leaders would be making no mistake if they recognized Mr. Malcolm's appointment as advantageous to Canada, at this period of expanding business, and were to allow his election by acclamation."

In the last analysis the condition of general business the nation over writes a New York economist, will depend on the out turn of the crops crops and good prices will mean s

Jesse L. Lasky, Adolph Zukor, Louis B. Mayer and Carl Laemmle are the "big-boys" of the motion picture game. Each is worth more than it is not too much to believe that music dealer in New York's Tin Pan

A sermon preached more than Neglect of common colds and over- year ago by Rev. Hugh Thompson ning craftiness, whereby they lie in demon disease's most dreaded wea- case of long delayed favors thank- water?" fully received.

News and Views.

Bright Qutlook. Milwaukee Journal: Husband's can't understand why wife ever complains about anything when she has his coming home in the evening to look forward to.

Timely. St. Catharines Standard: That was a timely reference Right Hon. George P. Graham made to church women about smuggling when he told them they would probably kick their husbands if they brought home

Big City Fools. calls were received at police head- and the two went to Trafalgar the rescuer, a dingy back room in a persons who had been told. April and George Norton collected the pirate; and the possession of these 1st, that they had been asked to money. In the Autumn of 1913 the reliques of old Johnson becomes as

Gentle Hint To Wives. Fergus News-Record: Lest some readers of this page should omit it, we draw their attention to this bit of wisdom from the Roxborough's Corners correspondent this week: -not hot air or anything of that "Should your husband object to the price of your Easter bonnet, just casually remind him of the time he bid \$8.35 for the privilege of eating your box lunch at the church social."

> Minneapolis Journal: power of the state and the sentiment house. Suzanne had kept the name ross the Pacific, the girl mysteriousof society, can keep order, repress of the husband (Andrews), who had ly in tow with the bad eggs, who are lives. In all history, justice, so au- ton, who befriended her. Dolly Cay- falls in love with the girl, who is Day failed. And justice alone can

To Come Back To Its Own. Belleville Ontario: The Bay of Quinte is all too little in use by the people of these parts and by tour ists. Visitors deem it one of the mos picturesque bodies of water to met on their travels and feel an resistible impulse to return at earliest opportunity. The appeal the native-born should be even The United States tariff commis- greater for every cove and every bar the people than it has been doing but sooner or later it will come back

Give and Take. J. L. Garvin, in the London Observer: The very life of this country depends on two things-the liberate adoption by employers in this country of a policy of high wages; and the intelligent standing on the part of the men that every mechanical aid to efficiency must be used to the utmost, that the The newspapers of today offer op- organization of cheaper production on American lines must be accepted and that restrictions on individual output must be swept away.

Sir John and the John Coffinses

(London Free Press) Browsing through the Public Library lately I came across a history of Sir John A. Macdonald, written by John Collins, in the '80's. It was this history which was the occasion for a famous parliamentary bon mot by Sir Richard Cartwright. There was a debate in the Commons in regard to some payments to Mr. Collins. Sir Richard seized upon the for the night. Pete left Suzanne and occasion to make a thrust at Sir John A. Referring to the history of Mr. Collins, he remarked:

and elegant language, and no doubt it will be very satisfactory to the honorable gentleman's friends, because I observe from it that in all very interesting one and holds the found it opportune to make a speedy the acts of the honorable gentle- attention of the reader from start to and silent retreat from the counman's career which evil-minded per- finish, sons have misinterpreted he has been actuated by the purest and most patriotic motives and has even sometimes allowed his reputation to be tarnished for the general welfare of the country. It is a happy assoc iation of ideas and what a lamented friend of mine called the eternal fitness of things, that a gentleman who in his life has gone justice to so many John Collinses should at least find a John Collins to do justice to him."

No man enjoyed the joke on himself more than Sir John A.

TORONTO VIEW OF BUDGET Globe: The budget of Hon. Mr Robb will go down in history as one of the most encouraging which Parliament has ever been called to consider. It has features appealing to all parts of Canada and to town and country. It should mark a new advance in the economic life

of the exemption for married people to the amount of \$3,000, the lessenof the taxing arrangement are popular, and are well advised. exemption from income tax will be er after." the salaried class who, unlike others, could not dodge it, if they tried.

A Big Drop. "Do you realize what" here are in a drop of water?" "Yes; my wife and I spent our honeymoon looking at one." "What! Gazing at a drop

"Uh-huh! Niagara Falls."

Man's Worth, by Sidney Arthur; Hunter-Rose Co., Toronto. Price

"A Man's Worth" is a charming love story which opens in the city of London, Eng. A small boy whose aimless wanderings led him to Picadilly Circus where a number of people had collected. Their object of interest was a little girl playing a something on the hip, but not to do violin. She played old English love it with a shoe that had been smug- songs and her interpretation showed remarkable talent for one so young. An accident happened to the girl and the violin bridge was broken. The Detroit Free Press: Not all the sympathy of the boy was aroused and small-town stuff is pulled in small he offered to lend money to buy antowns. More than 1,200 telephone other bridge. A bridge was secured

quarters in Brooklyn, N.Y., from Square. Here Dolly Cayley played tenement, some manuscripts of a call the number and ask for "Mr. scene had changed to Canada, a third absorbing in this yarn as that of the year science student at one of our hankie in Little White Hag. Now you cook-house for the prospectors. Suz- across the world to get it first. The Justice, anne had no friends among the wo- race that began with murders in sufficient men, but the prospectors protected Frisco culminates in a still more exby the and patronized Suzanne's eating-citing hippodrome of schooners acdeserted her, a secret, but she finally much the more interesting lot became to the city bringing her little persons, son with her. She found George Nor- venturers. Lang. being chief hero, leys approaching marriage had been the real treasure. She saves him announced in the paper and Suzanne twice, His friend Kerr always bobs had read it, and thought the man was up serenely in emergencies. her husband. Norton grasped the gang on the Hawk are mainly bad "I have been investigating the in situation and remembered Andrews Cockneys, niggers and half Spanhad gone north one summer on a survey. He then was the man whom Suzanne would not name. Norton informed the chief of police, and the wedding ceremony was interrupted. Dolly asked Andrews the cause, to which he replied he did not know. Chief Gorman told Dolly there were some facts she would have to clear up before the marriage could proceed. Van Bruen, another student, conceived the idea of a play to bring Suzanne's husband to time. Suzanne was to play the leading part. The staging and last rehearsal were carefully gone over, and now all ready. Spasms of dread filled Suzanne's heart, for she knew the box where he would be, with Dolly. The play opened, when suddenly Andrews face darkened and he swore under gaze. The scene was a northern lumber camp and Suzanne Le Blanc

his breath. Dolly's eyes followed his the leading lady. Dolly looked at Andrews and said: "Oh! I know, know it all." The curtain rose on the third act and Andrews watched his hidden past. The scene was two weeks later; it was late at night and Suzanne was alone on the stage. Her eyes were resting on the box in which gone 15 days and his face has never those people present who had alcry of anguish fled from the box and | Senator Belcourt remarked, observaliar haunts. In 1915 Andrews went Adams only add to the difficulties back to the north country and became a camp-watcher. Once again cance passed upward on the Sturgeon River, it contained Suzanne and Pete her friend. They called at Andrews' camp and asked for shelter Andrews alone and after some conversation the woman threw back her veil and said: "Look! I am Suz-"The work is couched in chaste anne!" Norton enlisted in the great war. He married Dolly and they went overseas together. Norton was in defence of Sir John Adams' conmortally wounded. The story is a tentions and that this gentleman

> THE HIGH ADVENTURE, by Jetfery Farnol, Ryerson Press, Toronto, \$2.00.

There is a title that takes your eye. There is a suggestion of idealism, of something that does not deal wholly with bank accounts and bills. It paints a romance of the olden days. Mistakenly you fancy that in John Adams at the Conference of those "olden days" money was a sec- the National Council of Education. ondary matter. I daresay it was a primary matter. But somehow Jef- dignified, which is consistent with fery Farnol makes his reader imag- his habit, our distinguished ine that life was just one gallant patriot explained that the French knight after another (no pun in- spoken in Canada, if not exactly the tended) with trusty steeds and fair French that is spoken in Paris, is maidens needing rescue, and the glamour of two hundred years ago making all things plausible. Thus as you read you lose yourself in a century other than your own, while the log on the fire burns into ashes before you rise and throw on another The story deals with a man and a

maid, who are pursued by sinister influences through many strange and exciting experiences. For a time ing of the rate, and the simplifying the attempts to keep them apart measure of doubt and uncertainty. seem to succeed, but exentually They may be led to ask themselves honesty and virtue triumph and we if the French we would ask young mostly benefited by the increased imagine that "they lived happily ev-

SOUTH SEA GOLD, by Charles Rod- and the French of the province of da (Thos. Nelson and Sons) \$2.00 This is a stirring story of the sea Anthony Lang began by looking for himself, after hearing Mr. Montpetit, trouble and never came to the end secretary-general of the University of the story without finding more of Montreal, would no doubt wonder of than he needed. He begins in San if he had not been mistaken in his looking beauty by night, a dark al- speak."

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ley, an attempted murder, himself cause they act more like bloody adiards. The rowdles arrive first the treasure island: the heroes hot world away from the police that one party talks so glibly about; treasure gent than gold; a terrific storm prances up; the Hawk has to get to sea to fight it; the hero returns to the girl and her half-murdered uncle on the sand: the treasure comes to light under a blowdown palm; spades and picks, and hysteria; gold, doubloons, jewels, crucifixes, madonnas-all that. Happy ever after. A book that almost anybody would enjoy reading.

Ouebec Viewpoint

Le Devoir emphasizes that utterances such as those Sir-John Adams make it more difficult for the two races in this coun-

try to understand one another. 'Nobody knows at present what authority Sir John speaks as a linguist, but if he was of want of knowledge and ready spoken with our people. As tions such as those of Sir John of the two races in striving to understand one another and, agree together. The Parisian French so dear to Sir John Adams exists only at Toronto and in places where they think that French is a dead language, or is nearly dead, and passes

through no evolution." All this is true enough but would be equally true and much more constructive to emphasize the fact that not one English-Canadian voice was raised in support or even

La Presse is one of the papers of Montreal which has leaped to the defence of the French spoken in Quebec province.

Senator Belcourt, who has made the defence of the national rights and privileges of French-Canadians the principal anxiety of his life, could not pass in silence the attack directed against our speech by Sir nevertheless French, complete, pure, living, and not a simple dialect necessity for teaching languages to the young generation, it is to be feared that declarations of the kind made by Sir John Adams, if not challenged and refuted, would create in the minds of our Angle-Canadians to speak is good French or if there is a distinction between what is called Parisian French Quebec? The remarks that Senator Belcourt made will prevent miscon-Francisco with the face of a Spanish- appreciation of the language we

To Detect Cancer

(Toronto Masi and Empire) The study of cancer and Ontario universities had just regis- have it, now not. In the exchange of cer, fortunately, goes steadily on search for a specific remedy for cantered. Being short of money he ownerships the reader encounters but, to the present, has not resulted worked as waiter in a restaurant. bludgeons, iron bars, sixshooters, in the discovery of a cure that h During the term a concert was ad- rat-haunted cellars, life and death been accepted by the medical provertised and Dolly Cayley, then a scrimmages and motor hurly-burlies fession as likely to meet all reyoung woman of about twenty-one in the open streets, and races for quirements. In the meantime, an was the artist. Norton also worked the shipside with casual phantom eminent British surgeon has ason the river drive. Here he met contacts with the beauty in the case, serted that cancer can be eradicat-Suzanne who had spent most of her whose name is Isabel Jones. The ed by surgical methods if it is discovlife in the north country, the adopt- treasure is buried in the Galapagos ered at an early enough stage of its ed daughter of Le Blanc. Suzanne group. Two rival parties, one of growth. The conditional clause is married but her husband deserted roughnecks, the other of nice people an important one. If the invention her, and she afterwards conducted a and heroes, fight and bluster half of the anonymous scientist, of whom Dr. H. McCormick Mitchill senior medical officer of the Live pool Cancer Hospital has spoker meets that condition it should be. indeed, a useful one. According to Dr. Mitchell "the early detection of cancer is one of the vital "things in The Mitchell is reported to have sai examination of a few drops of patient's blood to detect cancer in the early stages in any organ the body. Further, he claims that by examining a patient's blood 'six months after an operation he can determine whether an operation has been successful or not."

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