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Lord Willingdon is named the next governor-general. His name indicates his character-willingly done He has had long and brilliant training for the high post in Canada as the King's representative. He reared at Eton school and the foundation of his great past was laid on the school's playing field. As Freeman Freeman-Thomas he played cricket and captained the school eleven. His prowess in the national game won him greater fame at the university, for he led the Cambridge eleven. A member of one of the oldest families in Sussex, Lord Wilingdon married the daughter Lord Brassey and served as aide-decamp to his father-in-law during the latter's term of service as Governor of Victoria Australia. In a score of ways he brilliantly performed the nation's business, and as governor-general of Canada his success is assured.

TION.

son's position on the fence, he ling- a drop of late in mortality from the ers trembling there fearing to jump non-preventable diseases which medito the wet side. He has no thought, cal science can neither forefend apparently, of climbing back. Yet combat successfully or cure. he cannot remain where he is forever, says the Montreal Witness.- He has given his word that he will stand or fall by his liquor policy in the next election. That cannot be de ferred for much more than a year. It is a foregone conclusion that

Mr. Ferguson must commit himself within that time. Nor is it easy to see how the Ontario premier can choose any other course than to plunge bodily into the wet pool in which he has been puddling since his leader might take refuge behind a new referendum. But that would be unthinkable in the case of the man who had flagrantly violated the verdict of the last plebiscite.

Mr. Ferguson may escape from his predicament by going to Ottawa. That might be the happiest of all solutions, for Ontario, the Witness thinks. The Conservative party might be saved from the split that must inevitably follow a wet policy sponsored by its leaders. The provface might be freed from the menace of a further betrayal and a ne liquor deluge. In any event it could demand a decision by referendum, and not one beclouded by the com plexities of party politics.

PACIFIC COAST BROUGHT NEARER.

A few years ago it took five days to make the train journey from Van couver, B.C., to Kingston, Now 1 can be done by Canadian National Railways in a day and a quarter les than that. On Wednesday last passenger who left . Vancouver the previous Saturday evening reached Kingston at one o'clock in the afternoon, or in just three days and eighteen hours. The trip was made over the Canadian National line, which has been instrumental in materially reducing the time for that trans-continental journey. It is possible that in another five years the journey from the Pacific coast will be made in three days by train. Larger loco motives, like those built in the Canadian locomotive works of Kingston. improved roadbed and good managere responsible for bringing west closer together. Un-

TELE THOUGHT

LONG, AND IS KIND:

appointed by the King Government the Canadian National rallways are doing wondrous things.

WHEN WE BECOME OLD.

e classed as old has been politely dodged by various observers, some of whom have professed to believe that a man is as old as he feels and a woman as old as she looks. But now a statistician of a big insurance company assumes, says the Oswego, N.Y., Palladium-Times, to fix the time of transit into the aged category of 65 years. A trifle less than five per cent, of Americans have passed that line, an increase of two per cent. since 1890. But about two-thirds of them are self-supporting, only one third depending wholly or partly on persons, relatives, public or private

The death-rate has been materially reduced during the past generation and so also has mortality from man; diseases, which formerly took big toll of life. Not so well known, however, is the fact that mortality from most diseases has fallen as much in very backward lands as in our own and the few others where science has made greatest progress in combatting disease. It thus appears to be a racial phenomeon for which medical science can not claim all the

As Dr. Pearson, a physician of destructive batteries on humanity. Infancy is subjected to a deadly fire. Childhood is sprayed with a machine gun, with less mortality. Youth is shot at with a bow and arrow with no great loss of life. In the fourth period death fires slowly at maturity with a blunderbuss; making scattered hits; but in the fifth a sharpshooter of deadly proficiency picks off one by one all who have run the gauntlet that far and never a one escapes.

As for the old age line, it may as well be put at 65 as anywhere. else, though many persons reach senescence long before that while others are sufficiently youthful oldsters for two decades more. The line is as arbitrary as that where twilight ends and night begins. But for all discoverable practical purposes person is out by age, out of the running, when life has ended whenever living is often apparent, but that ing world peace. He urged Europe ful instinct. It sets boys up in body leaves a lot to be explained. It is no to reduce her armamenta more explicable than the phenomenon noted by Professor Dorsey, late PREMIER FERGUSON'S HESITA- University of Chicago, in his recent Like Human Beings." Nor than that Uncomfortable as is Mr. Fergu- all over the world there has been

THE OLD MASTER.

You read that Walter Johnson, now pitching his twentieth year in Times' expression. the big leagues, won his 400th ball game the other day. You read, too, that the victory was his sixth out of seven starts this year.

How long, you wonder, will the old master go on. They said he the pennant that year. They said ment employees. he was through after losing his first two world series starts that fall. Yet in the final game with the Giants he lorn hope and won imperishable glory by setting McGraw's men on

their heads. the Pirates had massacred him in the 1920, will be generally approved as deciding game of the world series a simple act of justice. last fall. Yet here he is, in his 39th year, still the pitching ace of the Washington team, still the big-

gest hero of American boyhood. And further than that, you have it on the word of every ball player who has played with or against him, every umpire who has known him, that that those figures will be Walter Johnson is supremely a genpire, says he has called lots of bad balls on Walter without the big fellow so much as murmuring. Day in and day out he gives his best. And if he wins he wins like a gentleman and if he loses he loses with a smile. without complaint. They make few like Walter Johnson. May the day come when we read that he has won his 500th big league game.

REGISTERING THE VOTES

Any properly directed effort to inbe a good public service to render, since the whole system of democratic The system gives the people the government they merit, the Montreal Gazette points out. It needs no tell ing that all who have selfish interne public interest, but he too often fails to express himself at the polls; oblivious of the danger that lurks in charity envieth not; charity vaunt- the shirking of his responsibilities of which to build a nest, she places the After such an infancy the bird

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "have you lit the lamp ?" say "lighted."

OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: aye (always), pronounce as a in "day." Aye (yes), pronounce as I in "tie." OFTEN MISSPELLED: recognize; ze.

SYNONYMS: part, particle, piece, portion, fragment, atom, element, member, ingredient, section, segment, installment. WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. To-day's word: ARBITRARY; depending on the will of the arbiter; absolute; despotic. "They transgressed several of the arbitrary

An effort is being attempted in certain places to arouse the voters to greater interest in their civic duty on election day. The indifference of so many people to their privilege and duty in this respect is a recurring subject of reproach, and it is in the hope of correcting the evil of neglect at the ballot-box that the Kiwanis Clubs in many centres have in some instances directed their organization, not of course with party, but with patriotic motive, to increase the percentage of the popular vote. The cooperation of all available classes is enlisted so that on election day the celebrity, puts it, five marksmen, one citizen is greeted on the street, at for each period of life, turn their his office and elsewhere with the "Have you cast And it works out well.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Man gets a slight shock when he sees two dandelions coming where he dug one out last season.

A New York autoist hit a pedestrian and settled for fifty cents. What a whale of a claim agent he would and anatomy.

Beecher Parkhouse asks the Farmers' Sun for a cure for earache contracted by straining the ears to try to hear if some protectionist pleading to be allowed to pay duty on his raw material?

In his Memorial Day address a Arlington, U.S., President Coolidge and however that occurs. The proxi- declared that it was the mission of mate cause which puts a period to the United States to aid in preserv-

The Briand government of France of the chair of anthropology in the is in a fer more advantageous position than it was a few weeks ago. remarkable book, "Why We Behave The surrender of Abd-el-Krim and the improvement in the value of the franc have done a great deal to strengthen the ministry.

changes, hurt the government much as it has the motor industries and the city? Beware of monkeying with boomerangs, is the St. Thomas

Washington's population has passed the half million mark. One wonders what makes Washington increase in population. There are no industries there. It is not a manuthrough years ago, but his twenty- facturing city. It is a capital city three wins in 1924 were the biggest and nothing more. The great bulk Edmonton that "the fissure is widenfactor in Washington's capture of of its population consists of govern-

The decision of the Federal Government endorsed by the House of went in as a relief pitcher and a for- Commons, to remit to automobile dealers the excise tax paid on automobiles remaining in their hands at the time when this tax was repeal- the writer believes. In any They said he was through after ed by Order-in-Council in December,

Canada is looking forward to very large tourist traffic this year. Even if last year's figures alone are contained in the article of l'Union reached, the aggregate of foreign Nobody wishes to become ears entering the country will enormous, but the probability" tleman. Billy Evans, the famous um- 2,429,144 of which 1,521,277 visit-

News and Views.

The Easy Mark. Lebahon Reporter: The man who ells himself he can't be fooled is fooled already.

Has Been Warned. son: "Quit stealing my stuff."

There's No Shortage at All. Lake County Times: nothing wrong with the

To See the Changes. of the guard on their way to Paris to see the changing of the premier.

Michigan stadium will be built hold 70,000 people who will be

The Polite Men of Hanover. Hanover Post: "I have never seen such polite men as they have in Hanover," said a fair visitor, "for every time I go down Main street all the men bow their heads." "Don't kid yourself," said her husband, "they're not bowing to you, they're ducking the low awnings."

Cadet Training. ing appeals to a well-defined youthand mind, counteracts the youthful tendency to a slovenly carriage, imparts discipline. But no one can say that it induces boys to seek careers

Tillsonburg News: The Canadian Horticultural Council have earned the gratitude of every public-spirited citizen in fostering the ornamental planting of the school grounds back to normal. Will its political throughout the country. Commencing last year ten silver cups were offered for competition in various districts of the Dominion to rural schools secomplishing greatest degree of beautification of the grounds during the year.

ing," the French-Canadians of Western Canada being inclined to forget the Province of Quebec. "It is more than time for action

By Arthur N. Pack. Most birds, even the hardiest. nest in the warmer months, for then only can they bring up their tender young. But the Emperor penguin hooses midwinter as its hesting time. Its chosen home is an ice field near the south pole

The emperor is the largest and

egg. There being no material with over its possession. eth not itself, is not puffed up.-1 citizenship. Therefore until he ful- egg on the small platform formed surely deserves the long life which fils his duty on election day the in- by her legs as she stands on the tee. is the lot of the Emperor penguin.

A fold of thick, warm feathers covers it, and the two-month incubation period begins. But the mother must seek the open water for her food, fishes and crustaceans. Now, it is so ordered in penguin economy that every member of the colony has the mother instinct highly developed though only a smell portion have

So when she is hungry, the brooding bird has merely to hand the egg over to someone in the waiting line.

Border Cities Star: Telegram from the Sphinx to Premier Fergu-

year except faulty distribu-

Ottawa Journal: University of tracted there from time to time, we

Oshawa Reformer: Cadet train-

Beautification of Grounds

Quebec Viewpoint

La Presse draws attention to the

if this misfortune is not soon to b contemporary. These views are very pessimistic, and perhaps they do not correspond to reality to the extent warning of which we ought to take heed. It is important that we should sirmit to reproaches of the kind sible, through indifference or otherwise, for disunion amongst the difdian family, especially at a period rest, the province of Quebec has for a long time past given proof of the

eak up beneath it. o in the frequent exchanges, and some-So in the cold and darkness of the times one dies neglected in an ice winter, the female lays her single crack, while two old birds quarrel

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