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The Association is to be congratulated in electing Mr. Michael Sullivan as president. He has long been an active and faithful worker; his strong personality and aggressive campaigning will add strength to the organization.

The Association starts off with a vigorous programme. Liberalism in Kingston will be strengthened by active and constant work, by enlightenment as to its principles and aims, and by energetic appeal to the electors to maintain a government of worth and enterprise.

ROAD MONEY FOR ROADS.

Seven years ago the Parliament of Canada enacted what is known as the Canada Highways Act. By this Act the Dominion Government was empowered to divide twenty million dollars among the provinces of Canada in proportion to population.

Last year the Government of Alberta was paid, as the Dominion's contribution to highway-building in Alberta, the sum of \$274,292.11, says the Edmonton Bulletin. But that money did not go into highways.

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BIBLE THOUGHT THE LORD BE WITH THEE, as He hath been with my father.—1 Samuel 20:13.

flounder through mud or rats to the axes every time they make a trip to their trading town. It is understood that the funds provided by the Highways Act are practically exhausted, and that further action by Parliament will be necessary if this measure of Dominion assistance is to be available to the provinces in future.

The Good Roads Convention wants Parliament to see that the assistance be continued, but it is doubtful if Parliament will extend the offer without a provision that the Provincial Government spends the grant in definite road undertakings.

A LEADER AND A POLICY.

There is, apparently, a sharp cleavage between east and west in the Conservative party over the tariff issue. The Montreal Star has declared the party needs a leader who will go to all parts of Canada and preach protection.

In these two facts the Conservative party, if it has power for drawing lessons from defeat, may find the road to higher and firmer ground. It may as well accept with frank finality the truth that the tariff issue has been dead since the elections of 1921.

That is plain talk from a newspaper that has given the party strong support, and the same article concludes by saying that if the Montreal Star and the Montreal Gazette could be induced to transfer their allegiance to Mr. King the revival of the Conservative party would be "mightily expedited."

A MILLION MOTOR CARS.

To-day in Canada we are approaching the moment when we will count one million of owned automobiles. In other words, the time is not far distant when there will be one motor vehicle for every nine persons in the Dominion.

Table showing the total registration of motor vehicles in Canada over an extended period from 1914 to 1925, including columns for Year, Motor Vehicles, and Per Cent.

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it," and whose independence the United States had recognized. This had reference only to the revolted American colonies of Spain, which had established a republican form of government, it remarks. "We could not," said President Monroe, in 1823, "view any interposition for the purpose of oppressing them or controlling in any other manner their destiny by any European power in any other light than as the manifestation of an unfriendly disposition towards the United States."

WHERE GOOD CORN GROWS.

The British Whig believes that the finest corn it has seen this year was on land almost in sight of the Ottawa river. It was of splendid height, well matured with heavy stalks, leaves and corn. Years ago nobody ever thought corn of such splendid dimensions could be grown along the Ottawa river.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Are we correct in saying that this is Indian summer? Steam up, is the conductor's order at the Ottawa government's headquarters.

A car may make seventy miles an hour but that no reason it should do it ordinarily.

"Of course we shall have warmer weather yet," says an official forecaster. That is encouraging.

The production of pulp in Quebec increased from 252,038 tons in 1910 to 1,170,314 tons in 1924.

There is talk of a Tory becoming Premier of Alberta—Dr. Cory, President of the University of Alberta.

A suggested sign for level crossings is submitted by the Border Cities Star: "He Who Hesitates Gets Across."

Scientist says that salmon, pike and goldfish never sleep. Gold brick salesmen state that suckers are always asleep.

The Sault Star is sure the little lamb that follows Mary to school these days wears a jazz sweater and balloon pants.

A London school trustee declares Canadians are the worst cooks in the world. We're sorry for the kind he patronized!

A coal mine fire in Pennsylvania has been going for 67 years. And no one has had to shake it down or open the drafts.

"Adam was his own tax collector," remarks a wise contemporary. Eze, we presume set the demands; she's been doing it ever since.

The direct loss from the British coal tie-up, so far, is just about a billion dollars. It is running a close second to the war debt.

The American Federation of Labor at its last convention decided to continue a vigorous national campaign for the abolition of child labor.

An aviator crashed through the

thicker than one's little finger, enable them to follow to their extremities the burrows of these small pests, and feast on the inhabitants. Others of larger size penetrate the underground galleries of pocket gophers, and kill them with a single bite.

On the steppes of Asia among the great colonies of ground squirrels, the weasels make their home. And on our own western plains, among the towns of the prairie dogs and nowhere else in the world, is found the black-footed ferret, whose special mission in life is plainly the destruction of that prolific rodent.

When man set up his habitation in the wilderness and brings with him his flocks of barnyard fowls, he sometimes places before the weasel a temptation that he cannot withstand. A weasel has been known to kill an entire flock of chickens in a night.

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roof of a women's dormitory. Just his way of dropping in on the girls, adds the Stratford Beacon-Herald.

No Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario ever attained to the popularity enjoyed by Mr. Cockshutt in Quebec, says the Quebec Telegraph-Chronicle.

Things are certainly moving in the radio world. The other day a new radio was broadcast to Quebec for \$1,000 that had been wireless photographically from London.

A half billion dollars were distributed in the United States on Oct. 1st to several million persons in the form of interest and dividends upon securities.

H. G. Wells announces his intention of using three real people in his new three-volume novel, but real or mythical, they'll think as H. G. wants them to.

The Chinese delegate to the League of Nations is warning Great Britain that new treaties with China, based on reciprocity and equality, must be made. Britain says it will talk when China has stable government.

Important extensions of works, particularly in the fields of family welfare and dependent children, have led the Federation for Community Service to set its objective this year at \$500,000, for the forty-one federated charities of Toronto it represents. The Toronto folks hold an eminent place for generosity.

It was an apt remark of a recent Kwanian speaker when he said that if the nations of the world had confidence in Canada surely Canadians should appreciate their own country. The Quebec Mercury expressed the same idea when it says: "Never before in Canada's history has there been need of a greater faith on the part of the people to go forward confidently to the task of building up this great heritage of the people, more fortunate, perhaps, than any other nation throughout the whole world to-day."

Quebec Viewpoint

Reflecting upon the Dempsey-Tunney fight Le Devour reminds its readers that comparisons are odious.

"A United States journalist notes with irony and pertinence that, whether he won or lost, Dempsey was bound to draw from the encounter that took place at Philadelphia on Thursday night a sun ten times larger than Milton received from his publishers for the manuscript of "Paradise Lost." Milton lived in poor circumstances, whereas Dempsey spends at least \$30,000 a year. Though defeated, the purse with which he may bandage his nose, put out of joint by Tunney, will assure him, if he practices economy, a monthly income of \$1,000. And since he entered what the French Academy is plugging to recognize as 'the ring,' Dempsey has, according to the boxing statisticians, made as much as \$1,554,000 with his fists. Thus we have a millionaire pugilist. But it is a safe bet that he has made serious broods into his million and a half, and if he lives only a little longer he will no doubt die in unknown poverty. Milton, poor and blind, lives to-day and will live to the end of the civilized world."

Oh, Take a Dozen. He had been looking over the birthday cards on the counter for some time, when the saleswoman suggested: "Here's a lovely sentiment. 'To the only girl I ever loved.'"

"That's fine," he said, brightening. "I'll take five or six of those." —Western Christian Advocate.

On Business. "Since you intend to jilt me, tell me please, what is the name of my rival?" "Good heavens, do you mean to kill him?" "Oh, no, only to sell him the ring I bought for you." —Pasquino, Turin.

Makee Barbers Grouchy. Smith's Falls—Record-News: If there is one thing more than another that will make a barber mad, it is for half a dozen women to accompany a girl into his shop on a Saturday night to get a neck trim at ten cents and probably lose a dozen men who pass the door thinking that the barber shop is busy every where, whereas in a moment his shop is empty and remains so until the ceremony is repeated. Men from the town immortal have felt that the barber shop on Saturday nights belongs to them. The ladies may have the rest of the time—and surely, that's fair!

The Pugilist Up-to-date. Mr. New York Evening Post: Mr. Tunney is unable to accept a New York invitation, he says, because he has an engagement to fight in the Boy and Girl Scouts in the Philadelphia amphitheatre where he "licked" Mr. Dempsey. How times have changed! Only a few years ago a prize fighter was something that could hardly be mentioned in the home circle. He led a hole-and-corner existence, holding his fights in lonely lofts and dodging the police. Yet here he is, invited to address two of our most proudest moralistic organizations of juveniles. The war made the big change in the country's attitude toward pugilism.

An Age of Investigation. Indianapolis News: Whatever else this age may be, it is an age of investigation. It is nearly as hard to dodge a questionnaire as an automobile sticker. It seems as if there had been the development of a profession that devotes itself to inquiring minutely into things in which nobody is interested. Such information may become interesting when it is classified, tabulated and advertised, and may even eventually be of service for all of us to withhold our scores. Sometimes, although we can not conceive the reason for the

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News and Views. The Next War. New York Life: The last war was fought to end all wars; the next one will be fought to end all debts. Makee Barbers Grouchy. Smith's Falls—Record-News: If there is one thing more than another that will make a barber mad, it is for half a dozen women to accompany a girl into his shop on a Saturday night to get a neck trim at ten cents and probably lose a dozen men who pass the door thinking that the barber shop is busy every where, whereas in a moment his shop is empty and remains so until the ceremony is repeated.

CHOSE THE C. N. R. As New Zealand Football Club Route Across Canada. When the New Zealand Rugby Football Club, better known as the "All-Blacks" crossed Canada on their way to play a series of games and test matches against the best clubs of England and Wales, they chose the Canadian National Railways as their route across the Dominion. Their satisfaction with the splendid service provided for all travellers on Canadian National trains is expressed in the following letter written on behalf of the members of the "All-Blacks" by G. H. Ponder, financial manager of the tour: "May we take this opportunity of placing on record our sincere appreciation of the wonderful service experienced by the members of the New Zealand 'All-Black' Rugby League Touring Team that recently had the privilege of crossing Canada per medium of your railways. 'We whole-heartedly compliment you on your transportation facilities and shall esteem it our pleasure to recommend to all our friends in New Zealand on our return, that the Canadian National Railways stands for service, efficiency and personal enthusiasm on the part of all the officials. 'Again thanking you for all that you have done for us and extending greetings on behalf of New Zealand."

QUEER QUIRKS OF NATURE. Bestless Wanderer, Relentless Hunter. BY ARTHUR N. PACK President, The American Nature Association. The weasel has been cited as an example of restless energy, and this reputation has been well earned. A tribe of its northern distribution, those found farthest north, which put on a winter coat of white, and known in their state as ermine, used to give their fur to adorn the robes of royalty and others of high estate. Now, since fashion has degenerated, all must wear fur ermine, of its imitation, is seen on those of high and low estate alike. But before he becomes ermine, the weasel is one of the most efficient animals known. His prey is anything he can overcome, and in its pursuit he knows neither fear nor fatigue. The large kinds make the hare their prey, pursuing that proverbial swift animal by scent, and tugging it down. Some kinds seem especially designed to prey on mice, for their slender, sinuous bodies, no

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