

THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

COLONIES ARE NOW REPRESENTED IN THAT BODY.

Dignity of the Office—Its Origin and Functions—Canada Represented in England's Final Court.

Marquise de Fontenoy writes in The Chicago record this interesting description of the English Privy Council, especially interesting now that Canada has membership in it:—

In order to appreciate the compliment paid by Queen Victoria to all of those Colonial Prime Ministers attending her Jubilee in making them members of the Privy Council, it is necessary to explain that to the vast majority of her subjects the dignity of Privy Councillorship appears superior to any order of knighthood, baronetcy or even peerage.

True, it is not a hereditary distinction, nor does it entitle its holder to coronets or to any other increase of adornment to the coat of arms. But, on the other hand, it is far more rarely conferred than a peerage or title. The latter is generally a reward for political service, a return for contributions to campaign funds—in one word, a party sop. At least half of the peerages created during the present reign have been practically purchased by huge subscriptions to either the Conservative or Liberal electoral treasury, among the most notable cases being those of Lords Wandsworth, Brassey, Iveagh, Burton, Hindlip, Wimborne, etc.

OATH OF A COUNCILLOR.

But a Privy Councillorship is only conferred either upon a Cabinet Minister or upon some person who, having rendered conspicuous service either to the Crown or to the nation at large, is considered on the ground worthy of forming part of the particular council of the sovereign.

A Privy Councillor is bound to the monarch by a special oath of office, consisting of the following seven articles: 1. To advise the Queen according to the best of his cunning and discretion. 2. To advise for the Queen's honor and good of the public without partiality. 3. To keep the Queen's counsel secret. 4. To avoid corruption. 5. To help and strengthen the execution of what shall be resolved. 6. To withstand all purposes to attempt the contrary. 7. To observe, keep and do all that a good and true councillor ought to do to his sovereign lady.

ORIGIN AND FUNCTIONS.

The Privy Council is the most ancient administrative institution in Great Britain. In the old Norman days it was the only form of parliament, its members being chosen by the sovereign to advise him in governing the nation. Of course, with the constitution of Parliament in its present form the duties and prerogatives of the Council have become much modified. But it would require a more learned pen than mine to define the line where the authority of Parliament ends and that of the Privy Council begins.

Thus, the Lord President of the Council and a committee of its members are at the head of the entire educational system of the Empire, all matters pertaining thereto being directed and controlled by this committee. It is also a committee of the Privy Council that administers the affairs of the Channel Islands, those of the Isle of Man, curiously enough, belonging to the attributes of the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

THEIR UNIFORM AND RANK.

All Admiralty business, quarantine, lighthouse, ecclesiastical and charitable affairs of the State are subject to the Privy Council, the meetings of which are usually held at Windsor or at Osborne in the presence of the sovereign, whose commands, when issued in the form known as "in council," have in a number of cases the same value in the eyes of the tribunals of the land as statutes duly enacted by the National Parliament. Privy Councillors have the right of prefixing the words "right honorable" to their names, and of receiving invitations for themselves, for their wives and their unmarried daughters (after presentation) to all State balls, State concerts, and analogous functions. A Privy Councillor likewise wears a very smart, diplomatic uniform of blue and gold, with a cocked hat, and has a right of office to serve as magistrate in any county, whether or not he is qualified by residence or possession of land.

Privy Councillors rank after Knights of the Garter and before baronets, and the President of the Privy Council ranks fourth among the great dignitaries of the realm, and before the Prime Minister, the first after the princes of the blood being the Archbishop of Canterbury, the second the Lord High Chancellor, the third the Archbishop of York, and the fourth the Lord President of the Council.

TO STRENGTHEN THE BONDS.

One of the principal aims which both the Queen and her Ministers had in view in connection with the Jubilee was to strengthen the bonds of union, and above all the feeling of kinship and loyalty, between the colonies and the mother country. It is with this object that the Colonial Premiers have been overwhelmed with so many attentions, being accorded just as much honor as if they had been the full-fledged ambassadors extraordinary of some independent monarchial great power.

Officers-in-waiting, royal carriages and royal servants were placed at their disposal, and they were conceded the front rank after royalty at all state functions.

Encouraged to give expression to their wishes, they one and all gave utterance to the desire on the part of their respective colonies that the latter should in some way or other be represented in what might be described as the governing councils of the entire empire. This, they declared, would be the first and principal step toward federation, and would encourage them to do their share toward maintaining the defenses of the empire and toward the defraying of what may be described as Imperial expenses.

THE DISTINGUISHED HONOR.

Now, it was out of the question to accord to them a seat in the Lower House of Parliament without the complete reconstruction of the latter. It was likewise injudicious to confer upon them seats in the House of Lords, since that would have involved the creation of new peerages each time there was a change of Premiers in any colonial capital. So the Queen, acting on the advice of her Secretary of State for the Colonies, made each one of the colonial Prime Ministers a member of her own Privy Council, a seat in which, as stated above, is in importance and in prestige

superior to any place in either House of Parliament.

Until now the only colonial statesmen who have ever been admitted to the Privy Council were the late Sir John A. Macdonald, for some years the Prime Minister of the Dominion of Canada, and Cecil Rhodes, the latter having chosen this honor in preference to the peerage or to the grand cross, these having been offered to him by the Crown as a reward for adding so immense a piece of Africa to the British Empire.

But henceforth it is understood that each colonial Premiership will carry with it a seat in the Privy Council in London, a fact which is likely considerably to enhance the value of political honors in the dependencies of Great Britain.

PAINLESS DENTISTRY.

Killing of Pain is the Laudable Object of Cataphoresis.

"You want to know what cataphoresis is?" said Dr. E. C. Chase, the dentist, to a reporter of the St. Louis Republic, in search of an explanation for the new treatment dentists are discussing on paper and verbally.

"Cataphoresis means the medication of a tooth by an electric current. First of all, the new treatment is only applied in the filling of teeth; not in the extraction. The idea is the medication of the sensitive cavity of a tooth by driving cocaine up into it by means of a weak electric current. The patient, as a rule, is unconscious of the current passing through his tooth. In extracting a nerve the new treatment is invaluable, although I have no doubt that in a few years it will be supplanted by something else. It is very difficult to affect the hard substance of a tooth with cocaine with-



CATAPHORIC APPARATUS.

out this electric current. With it the toxic effects of cocaine are much more readily obtained.

"The cataphoric apparatus consists of a little dry cell battery, with 21 cells, a volt selector, a current controller and a milliammeter, with a set of electrodes. One of the poles is connected with the cavity of the tooth, the other with the outside of the face, by means of a sponge.

"The cataphoric battery is usually inclosed in a nicely polished case, and can stand at some distance from the patient, so that he need not be made nervous by seeing it before his eyes. Local anaesthesia by means of cataphoresis is quickly obtained, and the most painful nerve can be extracted in a short time after the treatment has been applied.

"The application of electricity in the dental chair in its present form is but a revival of what we used to do 25 years ago. Electricity was in its infancy then, and we didn't know how to handle it as well, although we obtained some pretty good results even in those days.

"You may quote me as saying that the new fad of cataphoresis, for fad it is, will in a few years hence give way to something else, better and less dangerous, in the hands of quacks for the utmost caution is necessary to handle the cataphoric apparatus properly and without injury to the patient."

Some Timely Advice.

It seems as this advice ought to be entirely unnecessary; but the frequency of accidents from the use of canned fruits and lemonade which is allowed to stand in open tin vessels shows that there is still a great deal of popular ignorance on the subject, or else a good deal of carelessness. So long as fruits and their juices are contained in hermetically sealed cans, no harm will result; at least, if the contents were properly treated in advance. But just as soon as the air gets access, fermentation takes place, and the acid enters into chemical combination with the tin. Consequently, when a can is opened, the fruit should be removed within an hour or so, and ought not to be allowed to stand. If it be poured into earthenware dishes, no poisonous effects will be produced, even though the liquid mass deteriorates so as to become unpalatable. What is true of canned fruits is also true of lemonade. The latter should always be mixed in a glass or earthenware pitcher, and not in a tin pail. At any rate, it should not be permitted to remain for any time in a tin vessel. Numerous cases of poisoning from this cause are on record, and fresh ones are reported every summer.—N. Y. Tribune.

Hold

for the 5th annual Pin-nic to be held at Kingston in aid of new Hall on Wednesday August 11th.

One of the grandest days sports ever witnessed in the County. Nothing will be left undone by the committee to make the day one of pleasure to all who attend. The committee have made special arrangement to carry out a large programme of sports which will prove interesting to all.

PROGRAM

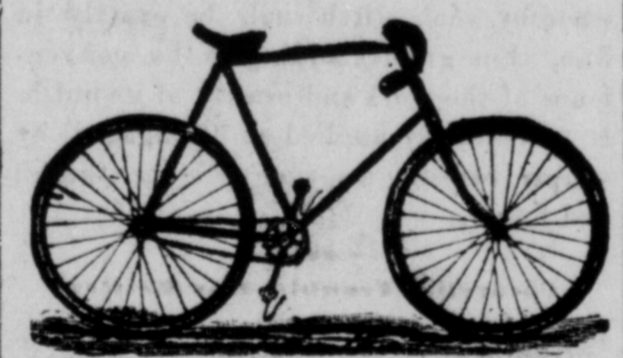
The days sports will open up in the morning at 9:30 with a 1 mile rowing race above Kingston Bridge, 1st prize \$5.00 2nd prize \$4.00 3rd prize \$2.00 entrance fee \$1.00. Entries close on the evening of the 10th, course to be made known on day of race.

SAILING RACES.

To take place at Kingston, August 11th. Boats to start from a line near Braits Wharf at 9 o'clock and sail down Richibucto River to Marsh Point Buoy and back around flag boat near starting point. Race open to all boats either keel or centre-board, 30 feet in length or under. Boats have to keep the channel. Sail-rules strictly adhered to.

1st prize, \$10.
2nd " \$8.
3rd " \$4
4th " \$2
Entrance fee \$1 Entries close at 9 o'clock p. m. August 10th.

BICYCLE RACE.



2nd Event, Bicycle Race open to Kent County, 1st prize, Gold Watch; 2nd prize clock; 3rd prize Scarf Pin. Entrance 50cts.

WHEELBARROW

3rd Event, Wheelbarrow Race, 1st prize \$1.00; 2nd prize 50cts; 3rd 25cts

FOOT-RACE

4th Event 1.00 yard foot Race open to all. 1st price, clock; 2nd prize 1 pair of gold cuff buttons; 3rd prize, scarf pin.

SACK RACE

5th Event Boys Sack Race, 1st prize 1.00; 2nd 50cts; 3rd prize 25cts.

6th Event 220 yard foot race open to Kent County, 1st prize gold medal; 2nd prize clock, 3rd prize walking cane.

Other sports will continue throughout the day.

DINNER AND TEA.

Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock and tea commencing at 5.30, and in order to save a rush and that all may eat who will, larger tables will be built on the grounds which will accommodate all.

A grand dancing pavillion will be erected on the grounds; a good platform guaranteed and excellent music.

Steamers will run between Richibucto and Kingston during the day and all who wish can procure their tickets at W. W. Short's Richibucto which will entitle the holder to a trip to and from Kingston and also their Dinner or Tea all for small sum of 25cts.

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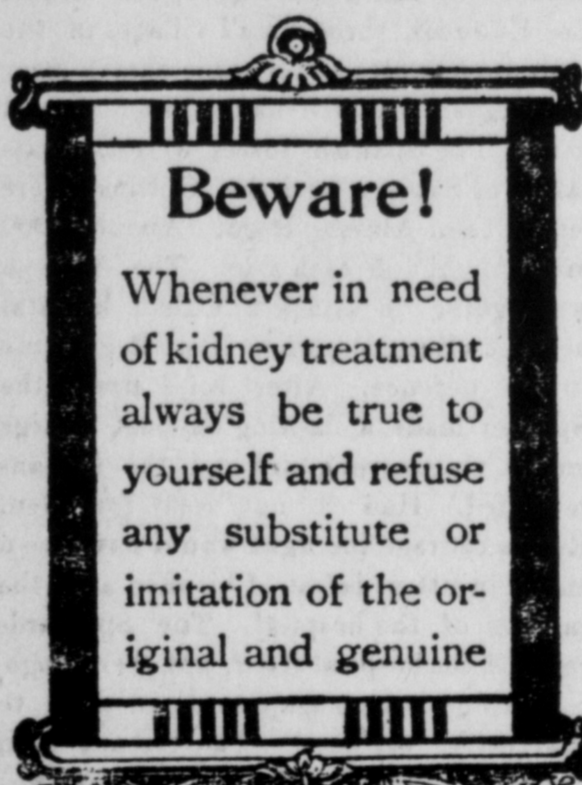
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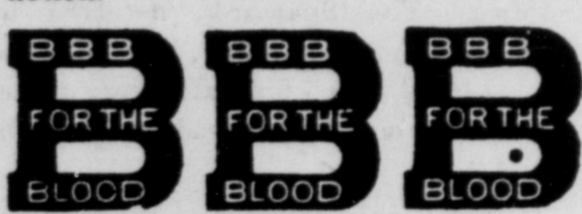


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A meadow lot of 20 acres more or less on the west bank of the northern lagoon of Kouchibouguac River, also one-sixth part of a Marsh on the north side of Kouchibouguac river. The said lot and portion of lot being lately owned by Sylvestre Maillet, also, the lot in Saint Louis conveyed to Sylvestre Maillet by Lawrence Maillet and wife, containing 50 acres more or less. Apply to J. D. PHINNEY, Lower Village.

NETS FOUND.

The undersigned picked up four mackerel nets off Richibucto Cape on Monday, 19th. The owner can have the same by paying expenses and applying to FREDERIC R. LEGER, or CYRIL P. RICHARD, Lower Village.

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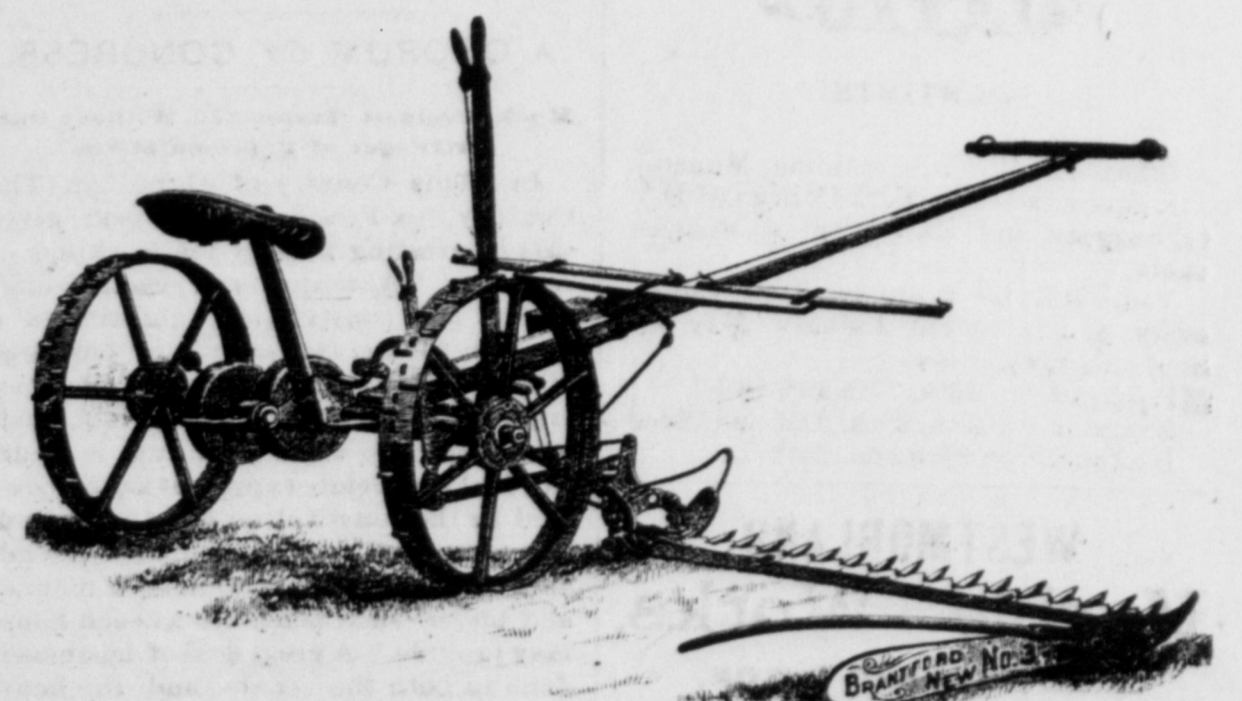
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