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MORE "BUCK-PASSING"

When the anthracite operators and the miners' representatives broke off their conference on Wednesday, each side wanted the public to know that the blame for failure to agree belonged to the other side. Thus it was reported by one correspondent that persons making inquiries of the operators were told to "see Lewis" he told them to "talk to Warriner." And each wanted it understood that he was perfectly willing to talk settlement provided the other party would recede from his position!

Modern slang calls it "passing the buck." The coal men aren't the only adepts at it who now cumber the stage of national affairs. The same line of talk is echoed in connection with the railroad controversy. The rail heads have been gracefully conferring the responsibility for the failure of negotiations upon the shopmen's officials, and have stated their case in lengthy articles in the press. To match this, Bert M. Jewell, as spokesman of the striking shop crafts yesterday announced that "the Association of Railway Executives has closed the door" and has changed the situation "from a strike to a lock-out." The shopmen, he added, had offered "every concession within reason."

Meanwhile the public interest regarded lightly, if at all.

MINISTERS' SONS

The somewhat commonly held opinion that clergymen's sons seldom amount to anything, was never based on fact or probability.

Now the fact is that when ministers' sons are judged by the same standards as other men's sons, they measure up decidedly well. Statistics presented this week by Dr. O. T. Deever of Dayton, O., on official of the United Brethren, are to the effect that 30 per cent. of the present preaching force of that denomination has been recruited from the sons of ministers; and—what is more convincing—that 1000 of the 12,000 persons named in "Who's Who in the United States" are sons of clergymen.

Roger Babson found the chances so strongly in favor of the minister's son making a success in life that he offered special financial inducements to attract these young men to his school of business at Wellesley.

Nor is there anything surprising in all this. The minister's boy has some mental inheritance; a cultured home; he is likely to be taught self-control, thrift and sacrifice. There is no reason why he should not excel in after life as the figures apparently show he does.

Mr. W. F. O'Connor, a Halifax lawyer, now living at Ottawa, is enlisting support for a scheme to place Nova Scotia coal on the market in Ontario. Why shouldn't the people of Ontario use Nova Scotia coal? The manufacturers of that province are constantly urging the people to buy Canadian made goods, while at the same time they themselves are using coal imported from the United States. New Brunswick now produces a good brand of soft coal which should find a profitable market in both Ontario and Quebec. Some slight concession in the way of freight rates would be a big factor in putting it there. The C. N. R. certainly needs the business and why doesn't it get after it?

Action Free Press: Gossip, as well as every kind of evil speaking lives on encouragement. If you don't love hearing about your neighbor's faults, scandal mongers will learn to avoid your presence. "The north wind driveth away rain, so doth an angry countenance, a backbiting tongue." Next to the whisperer, the man or woman who listens to idle gossip is a menace to society. The man who talks to you about his neighbor will have as much to say about you when your back is turned. When you find yourself enjoying the wag of a vicious tongue, it is time to look inside and ask yourself what manner of man you are.

A tribute to Governor Pugsley by "The Mace," The Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Saturday Night will be found on another page of this issue. "The Mace" says that His Honor deserves well of the Liberal party and in support of his statement tells of the gallant fight he made against the Borden Administration

while a member of the Liberal opposition. As he well puts it, "no quarter was given the Borden Government by this doughty fighter. He shone in the gentle art of causing the greatest possible annoyance to his adversaries."

An agitation is on foot in Moncton to change the spelling of the name of the city by restoring the "K" which was dropped some years ago. We would be sorry for the fellow who would turn up at this stage and advocate the restoration of the "K" to Fredericton.

Once in a while one sees an elderly woman going down the street clad in one of those old fashioned full skirts and just misses the ground and with a look on her face that seems to say, "Style is the bunk."

Cowpuncher said to be the original of "the Virginian" dropped dead while drinking an ice cream soda. Thought of such a tippie for a cowpuncher calculated to make the reader drop.

Condemned man in Sing Sing wants death deferred until he completes a crayon landscape for the warden. Would it not be kinder to hasten a day?

Soviet authorities are said to be making an effort to sell the Russian crown jewels, valued at \$500,000,000. The amazing fact is that they are still intact.

The flapper has stood for a good deal and has come up smiling, but the declaration of New York dancing masters that she is ungraceful and can't dance is a knock-out.

Grensburg, Pa., reports frost. The time draws near when newspaper paragraphs simply can't refrain mentioning what James Whitcomb Riley had to say about the punkin.

The gentleman who finds his parents' mausoleum is not available for putting in hock, now derives as little satisfaction out of the structure as its occupants do.

Adolph Lorenz says the one lesson he has learned in life is never to stop working; but, of course, this exception opinion need not be allowed to interfere with vacation plans.

Williamsport, Pa., man shed tears and was cured of color blindness. And yet we have known onion peelers to speak of them as white violets.

Business is tightening up again. In San Francisco the quoted price on husbands has jumped to \$25,000.

Through Our Sieve

Jupiter Pluvius, old dear, please turn off the tap.

Ho, hum, there goes the School Bell.

Of course the Girls and Boys are delighted that vacation time is over.

The one question in every home to-day is Ma, where are my School Books.

Although Fredericton is the Celestial city it is also a good stamping ground for evangelists.

Even when cherries are ripe the pessimist frowns and says the birds are picking em all away.

You can always flatter a man by telling him how long-headed but do not say anything about thickness.

"Horned toads can go 119 days without a drink." A bootlegger would not be likely to rely upon a horned toad for business.

In bringing up parents in the way they should go children are at a disadvantage in that they cannot spank betimes.

A flapper is a rouged young thing with bobbed hair and in short skirts with whom one is not acquainted.

When a fellow recovers from his vacation his memory fools him into the idea that he enjoyed a two weeks rest.

A pretty girl knows that continuous conversation isn't necessary. Lima Beane thinks the dog's greatest regret is that a cat can run up a tree.

Hi Slocum says that it annoys him that a lot of Fredericton Ladies who want a high tariff against the Yankees prefer to do their shopping in Houlton and Calais.

HE KNEW ALL THE GIRLS IN THE CELESTIAL

The Edmundston Observer in writing up the trip of four young men from that town who lately came to Fredericton to boast the opening of the International Bridge on Labor Day, has this to say:

"The road between Presque Isle and Mars Hill, Miles Burpee reports, as being very bad—and Miles is some expert on roads. Lloyd Sinclair says Miles wanted to return several times but the rest of the party insisted on "carrying on." Houlton was marked by two events—a flat tire and a good square dinner served by a charming American Beauty—Lloyd wanted to remain here, and let the rest of the party continue, but was eventually prevailed upon to continue. The trip from Houlton to Woodstock was also a trying experience, but the latter place was reached about two p. m. A banner was placed across the bridge and some hand bills distributed. They then started for Fredericton which was reached after a change of tire and other slight mishaps. Miles Burpee, who is a student at the U. N. B. has reputation of knowing all the girls in the Capital city, and doubtless whilst he was away attending to his own personal affairs of the heart, Lloyd got lost—completely lost. After the other two had found that Lloyd was nowhere in evidence, a frantic search was made on the main streets and side allies, the city authorities were appealed to, and the fire department was called out. He was eventually discovered on the C. P. R. track and the explanation he gave was that he had been subject to a brain storm. After a good night's rest and on the following morning, the Daily Mail office was visited and our friends found themselves on the front page of the next issue. Next the city authorities were appealed to for permission to fly a banner, and after interviewing fifty-seven different varieties of the "civilis homus", permission was given and the banner hangs high. The thanks of the party is due A. J. Thompson, District Supt. of the N. B. Tel. Co., for the great assistance he freely granted in helping them to nail Edmundston's banner to the mast—in this case the stately elms of the city."

Collapsed Sunday Night

The big willow nearest the A. & B. Clubhouse collapsed Sunday night for no apparent cause except old age. The tree-trunk was much decayed.

Popular Service.

The Sunday Train of the C. P. R. continues very popular yesterday afternoon two cars well filled with passengers left the station.

Bar Society Officers.

Among the officers of the Canadian Bar Society for New Brunswick elected at the recent conference in Vancouver are: Vice President, C. D. Richards, M. P. P., Fredericton; Members of Council, Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., D. C. L., St. John; Charles F. Sanford, St. John; Edward P. Raymond, St. John; Peter J. Hughes, Fredericton; John C. Rand, Moncton; Albert J. Dionne, Edmundston; Ralph P. Hartley, Woodstock.

K. of P. Decoration

Despite stormy weather the local Knights of Pythias decorated the graves of departed brethren on Sunday. Parties visited the Old Protestant and the Rural Cemeteries in this city, the Pickard Burying Ground in Douglas, the Anglican churchyard in Lower St. Mary's and others. The service to be held in the morning at Christchurch Cathedral was postponed for more favorable weather and probably will be held a fortnight later.

Wedding This Afternoon.

The wedding of Miss Lola M. Tracey of Fredericton Junction and Marvin T. Harrison of Devon was solemnized at three o'clock this afternoon at the Brunswick street Baptist Church. Rev. G. C. Warren officiated and the bride and groom were unattended. The bride wore a brown velvet suit with hat to match and corsage bouquet of American Beauty roses. The ceremony was performed in the presence of members of immediate families of the bride and groom. They will spend their honeymoon at Toronto, Montreal, Niagara Falls and other points and on their return will make their home in Fredericton. There were numerous gifts of silver, cut-glass, furniture and china. From the Gaiety Theatre staff of which the bride had been a member there was a handsome electric portable reading lamp and from the staff of R. Chestnut & Sons of which the groom is a member there was a Kootney range.

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