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THE LATE J. T. HAWKE.

The death of Mr. John T. Hawke, editor of The Moncton Transcript, which occurred at his home in Moncton yesterday, removes from the activities of this life one of the foremost journalists of Eastern Canada. Mr. Hawke was born in the old country, but had spent the greater part of his life in the Dominion. For a time he was connected with newspapers in the upper provinces but in 1887 he removed to Moncton and took over the publication of the Transcript. A man possessed of wonderful capacity for work, absolutely fearless and a writer of marked ability as well as a splendid all round newspaper man, he was not long in making the Transcript a power for good in the country. Mr. Hawke was a Liberal by conviction and both with his pen and on the public platform rendered yeoman service to his party. In the late election although incapacitated by illness from taking an active part, he had the satisfaction of seeing the noble county of Westmorland return the Liberal candidate by the record breaking majority of 7,500, and a few weeks later he had the further satisfaction of seeing Mr. A. B. Copp, the member elect, called to take a portfolio in the newly created Liberal cabinet. The wonderful victory achieved by the Liberals in Westmorland was due in no small degree to the efforts put forth by Mr. Hawke, and the newspaper whose policy he has so ably directed for more than thirty years. Had his life been spared high honors would undoubtedly have come to him as a reward for his long years of faithful service to the cause of Liberalism.

The death of Mr. Hawke is a loss not only to his adopted city of Moncton, the growth of which was a source of unpardonable pride to him, but to the whole of Canada.

A MECHANICAL PILOT.

Airplane operators are to have an easy life from now on. Provided, of course, their machines are equipped with the automatic pilot. In a trial trip across the English Channel the other day, the human pilot brought his plane to an altitude of a thousand feet, and then sat back and rested. The mechanical pilot did all the work for the half hour while the plane sped along at an 80-mile clip. Quicksilver, electricity and a compressed air motor deriving its power from the rush of wind past the airplane, are combined to make up the mechanical pilot. There seems to be only one limit to the things man can devise to save labor. He has not yet perfected anything that will meet emergencies. A mechanical pilot will do wonderful things, almost intelligent things. But not really intelligent. Beside every machine, it may be at a distance, but nevertheless with his mind intent upon he machine's operation, somewhere there is a sentient human being, a man. Even a machine like a hydro-electric dynamo that is regulated to run for months at a time without human intervention, needs to be oiled, inspected and watched. Man has never yet created anything that can be set going and left to tend itself. Therein he still must acknowledge his infinite inferiority to the Creator of the universe.

CARS AT COLLEGE.

Other universities may be slow to follow the lead of Princeton's president in trying to deprive the prosperous undergraduate of his motor car. It hurts the natural pride of educators to have some one else set a worthy example and then to hear a chorus of voices admonishing them to follow suit. President Hibben's position is undeniably sane. The college undergraduate rarely has any legitimate need of a car. His legs are strong, or, if not, walking will help to make them so. There is a tendency, in every college community, for a few sons of wealthy parents to live on a scale of luxury which does not comport well with the fact that they are beneficiaries of a great philanthropy. The tuition fee in a college or university rarely defrays more than one-fourth the cost of a student's instruction. The donors of an educational plant and its endowment hardly intended that the sons of the wealthy

should spend their savings from tuition in soft living, to the breeding of class distinctions within the undergraduate body.

Kingston Standard: There is reason why there should be laws which protect the public against the unscrupulous company promoter, and there are many ways in which this can be done without interfering with legitimate enterprises. No doubt they will be considered at the proper time. In the meanwhile the Provincial Government should remember the recent words of Mr. Lloyd George that "the less Governments interfere with trade and commerce the better for these and themselves."

Calgary Albertan: The tempering hand of Liberalism is needed in the Legislature now, not to oppose Liberal legislation that is certain to be presented, but to offer stiff opposition to reactionary legislation, such as class, or group, or freak legislation, which may be brought before the Assembly.

Vice President Coolidge broke his toe by attempting to kick aside some wall drapery that had tripped him, not suspecting the presence of the wall the drapery concealed. That kick was evidently in excess of half of one per cent and argues that the cool, collected New Englander has reserve force as unsuspected as the wall he assailed.

Calgary Albertan: The Federal Parliament has been called to meet early next month, somewhat earlier, than anticipated. The new Government has not done very much yet, but it seems to be shaping up like a Government that is sane and serious. It has made a very good start.

A Star City, W. Va., man, aged seventy years, has just had his seventeenth child presented to him by his second wife, aged fifty. Oh, well, youth must have its fling. But first thing he knows that man may find himself at the head of a really large family.

The Prince of Wales and the Crown Prince of Japan are to play a match game of golf when the heir to the British crown visits Nippon. We may take it for granted that every move on the green will be diplomatically put.

Speaking of compensation. Ella Wheeler Wilcox used to say that "all experience is good experience." Get that in your head and be comfortable. But don't get over trying to hand-pick your experiences and pick better ones every day.

Deaf-mute suing deaf-mute wife for divorce in Chicago accuses her of talking rough language with her fingers. Expressing, we hazard, silent scorn.

"Forty-two per cent of the clergy live to be septuagenarians." This is one of the advantages of a limited dietary.

Attention is called to the fact that the home radio outfit is doing much to keep the boys at home evenings.

Russia is the world's best sermon on the text, "Democracy, watch your step."

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Barcelona man said to have twenty aliases and ten wives. Some nut.

In ever so many homes the fires of enthusiasm burn low on account of defective flu.

There are two sides to every story; ours and the other.

One thing the calendar reformers can't put over on us is the omission of pay day.

When a man soils six shirts every week one wonders which day he wears a dirty one.

Under prohibition "the man of the house" it at home in evening of-ener than in the old days.

Lima Beane says the idea that two can live as cheap as one originated before the adding machine was invented.

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ADJOURNED TILL TUESDAY.

Bathurst Compensation Case To Be Heard By Appeal Court Tues.

The Appeal Division of the Supreme Court this afternoon finished argument in Carmichael vs Bowes et al. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., supported an appeal from judgment of Mr. Justice Crocket and moved to enter judgment for the defence for a new trial. M. G. Teed, K. C., contra, with him Jacob Dewitt of the Quebec Bar., Court Considers.

Court adjourned until the 21st when the appeal of The King vs Workmen's Compensation Board ex parte Bathurst Lumber Co. and Bathurst Co. will be heard.

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