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TO AID CANADIAN TRAFFIC.

The action of the Robert Simpson and T. Eaton companies in directing that shipments of goods from the United Kingdom be sent via Canadian, rather than American ports, in order that they may take advantage of the increase in British Preference, is an evidence that already this important feature in Mr. Fielding's Budget is producing good results. Everybody knew it would, but it remained for Mr. Fielding to make such results possible.

Sir Henry Thornton put his finger on the weak spot in the Canadian railway situation when he said in Montreal the other day that whereas in 1913, when the railway mileage was only 25,400 miles, the traffic was 56,800,000 tons, but in 1921, when the mileage was 31,771, the traffic was only 55,300,000 tons. He added: "The truth is that we have too much mileage and not enough traffic, and that is what is wrong with the C. N. R."

Sir Henry also very truly said: "There is nothing, however, to be gained by the two principal railway companies of the country pinching a few carloads of freight from one another. What we need is more traffic and new traffic." The changes with respect to the British Preference will produce more traffic for Canadian transportation channels. There may be a little less for Portland, but there certainly will be more for Canadian ports and more for the railroad mileage in these provinces.

It is expected that the new tariff regulations relating to manufacturers of artificial silk will have the effect of creating a new industry and thus producing much new traffic for our railways. Artificial silk is very largely a cellulose product, the manufacturer of which is very remunerative, and for which there is keen demand. In its manufacture the viscose process is now used, the raw material of which is cellulose in the form of wood pulp, bleached as for paper making. As no country possesses a greater supply of such materials than Canada, it is thought that a new and important branch may thus be added to the pulp and paper industry.

THE REAL TROUBLE.

"What is really the matter with the Maritime Provinces," says the New Glasgow Chronicle, "is the Canadian tariff, which prevents them from trading overseas and compels them to buy the greater part of their supplies in Ontario and Quebec at prices about 50 per cent. higher than similar goods can be purchased in Great Britain and the United States, and, in addition, the heavy Federal taxation which is taken to Ottawa and from which the Maritime Provinces reap little benefit. No country in the world could stand Canadian taxation and the Canadian tariff any more than the Maritime Provinces can. And to see our statesmen placing the blame for Provincial decay on the freight rates simply convinces us that those statesmen are not big enough for their jobs."

When a group of college graduates get together they always talk about one thing. They lament the small calibre of the young men in college today. The member of the class of '71 says that the young fellows in his college now are not what they were in his day. And the old boy of '95 says the same thing. Then the enthusiast of the class of 1917 makes the same discovery. And it's all just a sign that age is coming on apace. As a matter of fact the college boys of today are just as good and just as smart as they ever were and probably a bit more so. The beam is in our own eye. It's just age—that's all.

A motion to summon Sir Montagu Allan and D. C. Macarow of the defunct Merchants' Bank to give evidence before the Banking and Commerce Committee of the House of Commons, this week met with opposition from Mr. R. B. Hanson, M. P., for York-Sunbury and was stood over.

Half an hour after rescuing a man from drowning a Rochester, N. Y., motorist accidentally ran him down and killed him. Truth takes liberties with possibilities a fictionist wouldn't dare.

Maybe they have bootleg stuff in France too, as it is a French savant who asserts that the earth does not really turn on its axis but merely seems to.

Astronomers are already planning to make detailed observations of the sun's eclipse on Sept. 10. They may discover then what ailed it this Spring.

Margaret Anglin opposes an Actors' Union. "Actors," she says, "are not bricklayers." That's right. One seldom hears an actor calling for more bricks.

"There are few earmarks of permanent peace in politics abroad," avers a returned correspondent. On the other hand there is no absence of teethmarks.

San Francisco has a telephone operator said to have memorized 2,000 numbers. If wrong numbers are included, she is no champion.

The horse still lives. New York women have arranged for a tag day to provide for more watering troughs for the animals.

A Detroit woman grappled with a burglar and put him to rout. He was going through her husband's pockets when she awoke and caught him at it.

After enduring jazz bands for four or five years, the world is willing to believe some ancient Roman set fire to the place to stop the fiddling.

James A. Stillman is reported as having a headache. It's not the kind an aspirin tablet will cure.

California has a sunflower 21 feet tall, showing the effort it has made to get away from California.

Young Doug. Fairbanks' movie salary won't be as tall as his dad's until he can jump as high.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Talk is cheap, provided you do it yourself.

One bird in the bush is worth two cats in the hand.

It's easy to get one's mind off a pain, if the other fellow has it.

No chance that the world will ever be bettered by the people who are forever asking what is the matter with it.

Lima Beane says the goldfish are not much protection to the wife who has to stay at home alone on lodge nights.

They may change the Bible by rewriting it, but they can never change human nature, which the Bible mirrors accurately.

Some men wear poker faces and some do their bluffing by hurrying and fussing around on the job.

Man is a strange animal. He wears a light soft hat all Winter, and when Summer comes he puts on a heavy straw lid.

If there is "a divinity that shapes our ends" how useless the fear that we may not be at home when Opportunity knocks.

LITTLE STORIES OF THE TOWN

Lost Economy.

"Well" said the Old Timer "it's time for me to get out the Straw Hat that I bought last fall at a sale, and throw it away after finding that it isn't in style this season."

Primitive Foot-Wear.

"Woman seen constantly reverting back to the primitive in dress and especially in footwear" says a Church Street Resident. "The new shoes in the shop windows grow more sandal like each day and soon the latest thing will be to go barefoot."

Why Is It.

"Why is it?" said a Queen street man yesterday, "that when a person buys an automobile the purchase price for it is promptly added to his cars assessment. It looks to me as if the assessors take the ground that a person who discovers that he can afford a car either found the where withal to buy it with or was remembered by some friend or relative in his will. Otherwise how can it be argued that a man buying a car is any better off financially than he was before?"

BASEBALL AT TROTTER PARK THIS EVENING

Boston vs. Fredericton — Imported Players Did Not Arrive — Paynter to Pitch for Fredericton.

The local baseball season will open tonight in the Trotter Park at 6.30 when Fredericton meets the team representing Boston in an exhibition game. The Boston players arrived here this morning with their manager Dick Casey. The imported players for the Fredericton team were expected to arrive today from Boston but are not expected until Saturday. Bill Dean arrived this morning from St. John, and Benny Smith has been here for the past few days. Dillon, McCourt and O'Brien of the Fredericton team who have been temporarily loaned to Milltown will arrive tomorrow.

The team Fredericton will put up tonight will be composed of local players with the exception of Dean and Smith. The Fredericton line-up will be as follows:—

Donovan, catcher; McLean, 1st base; Davis 2nd base; Howard short stop; Dean 3rd base; Kierstead, left field; Bclster, centre field; Smith, right field; Paynter, pitcher.

WAR VETS WIN FROM BOSTON

St. John, May 30—On St. Peters Park last evening the Vets gave a trimming to the Boston All Stars 4 to 3. The game was witnessed by a large crowd of fans who applauded the various plays of the home team. Beatty of the Vets was in great shape and fanned 10 men while King of the losers fanned three. In the fourth inning the fans were edged to the utmost when the All Stars had three men on bases, Beatty fanned the fourth batter and by clever headwork succeeded in catching Johnson at second. Tippetts, although charged with one error, did some snappy thinking and work by running over to first base and tagging the runner.

Score by Innings:
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Total
 Boston 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0—3
 Vets 0 0 2 0 0 1 0 1 x—4

C. N. R. BUYS LAND IN PARIS

Ottawa, May 29—Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen leader of the Opposition drew the attention of the Government to an announcement in the press yesterday saying that Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railway, had purchased a large block in Paris at a cost in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000. He wished to know if the Government had any information to give the House on the matter.

Hon. George P. Graham, minister of Railways, replied that the Canadian National Railway Board had been doing something toward obtaining suitable quarters in Paris. He had not any definite information at the moment but he understood that if suitable quarters were obtained they would be used by branches of the Government as well as the railways.

Mr. Meighen said that if the report was true the acquisition of this building would involve a capital investment which must be approved by the Government. Had this approval been given?

"Not up to the present," replied Mr. Graham.

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