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DRASTIC ACTION TAKEN.

The Commission of Conservation at its meeting at Ottawa in January last, after having brought before the public the serious conditions being established by the rapid spread of venereal diseases, passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, that in view of the prevalence and increasing spread of venereal diseases in the greater cities, and from those centres into the country, and from province to province, and also of the great menace to the health of human kind and future generations of our people, this Commission is strongly of the opinion that the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of venereal diseases is a matter of urgent and grave national concern. This Commission is also of the opinion that the Dominion Parliament and Government should undertake, by means of legislation, or otherwise, such action as will lead to the control and reduction of this scourge."

Some of our provincial health departments, including that of New Brunswick, have adopted stringent regulations regarding the registration and treatment of venereal diseases, and at the last session of the Dominion Parliament, drastic action was taken in an amendment to the Criminal Code, to prevent the spread of such diseases. The amendment is as follows:

316 A. (1) Any person who is suffering from venereal disease in a communicable form, who knowingly or by culpable negligence communicates such venereal disease to any other person shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, or to both fine and imprisonment.

Provided that a person shall not be convicted under this section if he proves that he had reasonable grounds to believe that he was free from venereal disease in a communicable form at the time the alleged offence was committed.

Provided also that no person shall be convicted of any offence under this section upon the evidence of one witness, unless the evidence of such witness be corroborated in some material particular by evidence implicating the accused.

(2) For the purposes of this section "venereal disease" means syphilis, gonorrhoea, or soft chancre.

The first delivery of mail from a seaplane to a steamer at sea was made successfully on Friday, when C. J. Zimmerman flew over the liner Adriatic two hours after she had left her dock at New York and dropped on her deck a mail bag weighing approximately 100 pounds. The experiment was made under the direction of the New York Post Office, which proposes to make such air deliveries a regular feature of its foreign mail service. The letters in the sack were mailed four hours after the closing of the regular mail for the liner. The post office authorities hope that by means of the air service they will be able to forward regularly important mail that is received too late to catch steamers in the ordinary way.

St. John Times: The New Brunswick Telephone Company has given notice of an application for increased tolls, both local and long distance. If the company has legitimate claims for such increases and can demonstrate them to the satisfaction of the public, it should get a reasonable advance on present prices. But the Public Utilities Commission was created in order that it might stand between the unorganized public and the organized corporations, particularly public utilities corporations, and see simple justice done. First, all the facts. Not some of them; all the cards, face up, on the table. Then we shall see.

Activity in preparation for the elections in Newfoundland in the autumn is becoming pronounced. A new party to be known as the Liberal Reform Party, has been formed to oppose the present government. Announcement was made recently that R. A. Squires had been chosen as leader of the party. Whether this will supplant the present opposition party or whether there will be a three-cornered contest, has not yet been determined.

The hunting lodge of Bertha Krupp, the palace of the Prince of Wied and many castles of note, will be vacated in the next few days by the First Division of the American Army, which on Saturday began entraining for Brest, being the last division to leave the Rhine for the United States. Bertha Krupp's modern lodge, which is elaborately decorated inside and out with bronze castings made by expert workmen of the Krupp plant at Essen, hugs the shoulder of a mountain overlooking a valley.

Herbert H. Asquith, former Prime Minister of Great Britain, is reported to be making arrangements to re-enter active politics. The Edinburgh Evening News declares that Mr. Asquith probably will take the earliest opportunity to seek candidature for the House of Commons.

Sir Herbert Ames, M. P., has accepted the post of financial director of the permanent Secretariat of the League of Nations, which will probably be at Geneva. Sir Herbert will retail his seat at Ottawa.

After a most enjoyable stay in Quebec, the Prince of Wales left that city yesterday for Toronto, where he will open the National Exhibition.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

The small boy's last day of liberty.

No man ever acquired a lasting brand of popularity by knocking.

Unfortunately the world is a long time in shifting its gears.

The U. S. authorities have caught a bigamist with eight wives, who didn't ever try to kill one of them.

A man must have a certain amount of wisdom in order to realize what a fool he is.

Some men do some mighty queer stunts for the purpose of keeping their names before the public.

A man never realizes how high a fence he can jump until he is badly scared.

An old bachelor says that widows are the only second hand things that sell at par.

No Mamie, dear, you can't always distinguish a golf player by the links in his cuff.

He's a mighty lucky prodigal son who can come home to a fatted calf these days.

It is quite possible to indulge in back talk and still say it right to a man's face.

The worst of delusions is when a man deludes himself with the idea that he hasn't any.

In the City Today
Mr. B. L. Brown of Bear Island of the New Brunswick Forest Service branch is in the city today.

Arrived Here This Morning
Lieut. Col. Eric McDonald arrived in the city this morning and is visiting Conductor and Mrs. Charles McGilbon.

Motored From Chipman
Mrs. B. H. Hay, Bruce Hay, and the Misses Ida and Marie Hay and Mrs. Orchard of Chipman motored to this city on Saturday returning home late in the afternoon.

Held Picnic on Saturday
The annual picnic of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church was held on Saturday at Robinson's Point. The picnicers were carried across the river by motor boat. About two hundred people were in attendance and the kiddies were given a very good time.

Big Seizure of Booze
Under the caption of "Fredericton news the Montreal Standard recently published the following: One hundred and thirty-four cases of liquor, estimated to be worth between \$75,000 and \$100,000, were seized by members of the liquor administration department at Fredericton recently. The liquor was shipped from Montreal to a local drug company and was seized under the assumption that some person is making unauthorized use of the firm's name or that no drug concern can have a legal use for such a large consignment.

Pullets are Laying
Mr. A. C. MacVey of the Public Works Department, of this city has three pullets which have established a record for this locality as early layers. They are of the Barred Plymouth Rock variety and were hatched under a hen on April 10th last and when six weeks old were sent by Mr. MacVey to his brothers farm in Kingsclear where they were given free range. They developed very rapidly and began laying when they were four months and thirteen days old. Ordinarily a Barred Rock pullet which begins laying when six months old is considered a good one.

Mr. and Mrs. George McEwen left today for St. John, Chatham and Newcastle where they will spend a few days.

MARYSVILLE HAPPENINGS

Auto From the City Gets Into a Ditch—Social and Personal Gossip of the Town.

Marysville, Aug. 25.—A car driven by a young man from Fredericton and containing five persons was badly damaged about eleven o'clock last evening having been ditched in the vicinity of Reid Bros. store. The car which was being driven at a fairly fast rate of speed left the road and ran into the ditch, which at this place is quite deep with the result that one of the front wheels was torn off and the fenders badly damaged. Assistance was promptly sent out from a Fredericton garage and the damaged auto has been towed to Fredericton.

The local team were the victors in a base-ball match with the St. John team in the Canadian Cottons League series at St. John on Saturday afternoon. The score was nine to six. A return game will be played here on Saturday afternoon next.

Preparations are being made for holding a field day on base-ball hill on Labor Day; the proceeds to be expended on the proposed Memorial to the young men from this section who gave up their lives during the late war.

Miss Ardath Bubar underwent an operation at Victoria Hospital on Saturday for appendicitis. She is now resting quite comfortably.

The annual picnic of the Olivet Baptist Sunday School was held on Saturday afternoon and evening "under the pines". The usual games and amusements were provided and the Marysville Brass Band furnished music. A splendid supper was served on the grounds and altogether the affair was very successful.

Mr. A. D. MacPherson has returned from a trip to Amherst, N. S.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kingsley have returned from an auto trip to St. Stephen and St. Andrews.

Mr. W. J. Kelly has returned from St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith and son Wilfrid of Fredericton were visiting here yesterday.

Mr. M. J. Arnold is confined to his home by illness.

MAY AFFECT HERD RECORDS

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 25.—A committee of the Holstein-Friesian Association met here today to take testimony in regard to alleged fraudulent tests of Holstein stock in this state which may effect the record of herds worth millions of dollars.

The committee, with James A. Reynolds, of Cleveland, chairman, has before it the confession of Charles Cole, former herdsman at Olive Cabana's Pine Grove farm near here, in which he is alleged to have stated that he "helped" the record of Cabana's cows by surreptitiously putting cream into the milk pails while the tests were on under state supervision.

MAY BE TROUBLE IN INDIA SOON

London, Aug. 25.—A grave warning about possibilities in India arising from activities of the extremists was uttered today by Sir Harrington Varney Lovett who has held many important positions in the India government in the course of testimony before the committee of the government which is considering the Indian bill.

LOCAL NEWS

Married on Saturday

A quiet wedding took place at the George Street Baptist Parsonage on Saturday afternoon when Miss Alvira Smullen was united in marriage with Rankine Dow of Woodstock. The bride who belongs to this city was dressed in a travelling suit of blue serge.

PERSONAL.

Miss Maud Chapman of Bangor who has been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Chapman of St. John Street returned home this morning.

Mrs. W. P. Flewelling, formerly of this city has been seriously ill for some time at the home of her sister Miss Lugin at St. John.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Jewett of Devon will be sorry to hear that their infant daughter is very ill.

Miss Inez Johnston of the Agricultural Office staff has returned from St. John and Florenceville where she spent her holidays.

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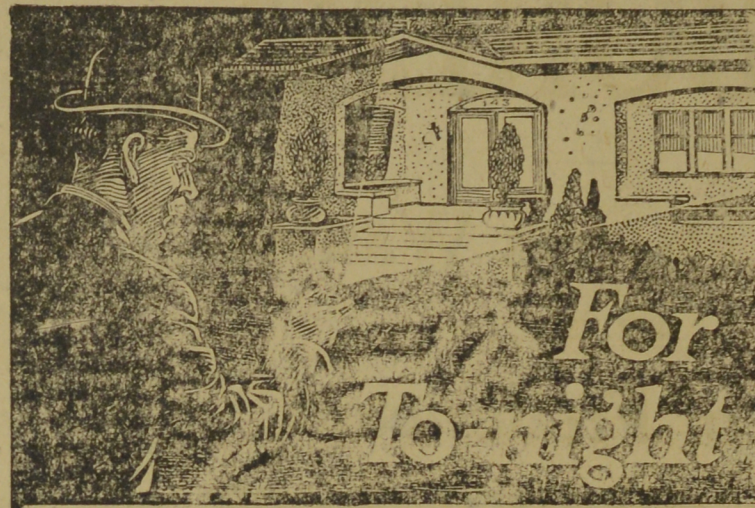
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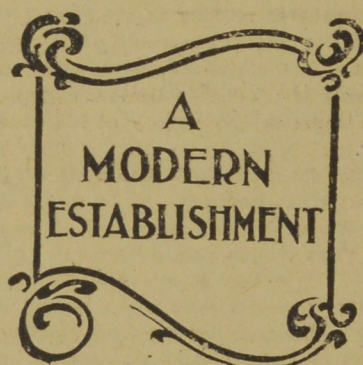
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