

# THE DAILY MAIL

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## MERRY ENGLAND.

Mr. Lloyd George gave to Parliament last week a somewhat gloomy picture of the condition of the United Kingdom. Perhaps some of it, says the New York Times, can be discounted as the natural inclination of a Prime Minister to magnify the obstacles that confront the government, in order that the government may gain the more credit from surmounting them; yet there can be no doubt that to a considerable extent his speech gave an accurate picture of conditions existing today. But he did not tell all. Perhaps he told all that seemed worth telling, but a different point of view seizes upon certain other facts in contemporary English life, facts which may escape the notice of Englishmen through their very commonplaceness, but seem wonderful enough to Americans. For example, a certain Oxford college sends out to its old members invitations to annual dinner, the "Gaudy," an institution which should live worthily up to its name now that the war is over and won and there is something to rejoice about, and the invitation concludes with the information that "unfortunately champagne is not procurable, but white wines, claret, beer and port will be provided at an inclusive charge of three shillings and sixpence."

Three shillings and sixpence! Eighty-five cents! To the citizens of a country where eighty-five cents will no longer buy anything much except postage stamps, and where white wine, claret, beer and port are abhorrent and prohibited fluids, desirable only to the turpitudinous, and obtainable only by the criminal, this commonplace of English domestic life comes as evidence of the historic continuity between the England of today and the land of Sir John Falstaff and Mr. Samuel Pickwick.

Despite the war and the labor agitators, the old realm still has something of its ancient savor. The free American citizen as he leans up against a bar covered with white oil-cloth and puts down his eighty-five cents or thereabouts for a seidel of buttermilk, muses upon the conservative steadfastness of the British temperament and feels a certain wistful pleasure at the realization that Merry England is merry still.

## LARGE GRAPE CROP.

The grape crop in the Niagara peninsula, to be cut within the next month, is reported to be a bumper one. Recent rains assured the harvesting of a full crop and if the big prices now said to be going can be wheedled out of the factories, it means a small fortune for vineyard owners. The situation in Quebec is calling for enormous supplies of grapes. Europe is not exporting wine to any extent and will not be able for a number of years. The Canadian wine-makers are cleaned out of the best stocks and the goods that are vatted this fall will take at least a year of ageing to secure even a small amount of that snap and vim so essential to good wine. The wineries, it is noticed, loaded up pretty heavily every other season, and this seems to be the case now, along with the exceptional demands on account of prohibition laws that are excluding the very hard liquors. Perhaps not 80 per cent. of those who formerly in-

dulged in a glass of beer or a nip of Scotch or gin ever looked at wine, but now it is the best beverage they can legally acquire.

Governor Milliken of Maine, who assisted in welcoming the Prince of Wales to St. John, has written to Governor Pugsley expressing his thanks in the following terms: "I wish to express to you and through you to the people of New Brunswick my most cordial appreciation of the attention you showed the official party from Maine on the occasion of the visit of the Prince of Wales to St. John. Not only was the occasion a pleasing one to me personally, but I cannot help feeling that as a result of the additional evidences of good will on the part of your province, the relations between New Brunswick and Maine will become even more cordial. I hope at some time to return your kindness."

Hon. Bob Rogers is not pleased with Union government, and is laboring hard to bring the old Tory party back into the limelight. He turned up at a Tory meeting in Winnipeg a few days ago and delivered a long speech in which he advocated a return to party government. The Hon. Bob is a high class machine politician and his utterances are not likely to be taken very seriously by the country. He is now out of public life and should remain out.

Viscount Grey, who has temporarily accepted the post of British ambassador to the United States, is regarded as one of the greatest diplomats of his time. As Foreign Secretary in the Asquith cabinet during the troublesome times of 1914, he strove earnestly to prevent war, but of course did not succeed. He is a cultured English gentleman, fond of outdoor life and enjoys the reputation of being a most skilful angler.

Chatham World: The Gleaner is mistaken in saying that the auto speed limit is twenty miles an hour. That is a common but erroneous belief. Speed limits are prescribed in towns and in thickly populated places. No speed limit is ordained by law for the country road. If an accident occurs that is clearly due to unreasonable speed on the part of an auto, the law presumes that the speed is greater than is consistent with safety.

The late Mr. Andrew Carnegie left an estate valued at between twenty-five and thirty million dollars. The will include an annuity of \$10,000 to Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain and one of the same amount to former President William H. Taft. The iron master during his lifetime gave away \$350,000,000.

## THROUGH OUR SIEVE

The sword of hate is never dull.  
 A man's bosom friend is his shirt.  
 A spruce young man isn't evergreen.  
 A photographer can make or mar you.  
 A dentist can't fill the cavity in an empty stomach.  
 A small boy said it was impossible to judge the effect of a slipper by its size.  
 It is deplorable, but a girl can get her first kiss but once.  
 Were it not for the things we are going to do life would not be worth living.  
 Say what you will of the chronic kicker, he at least varies the monotony of life.  
 The only thing that didn't get a boost during the war has been discovered—interest on bank deposits.  
 Enthusiasm is too often a pleasurable sensation we experience over things that are none of our business.  
 The world moves. If you have any doubt about it, try to keep up with your running expenses.  
 When there is only one daughter in the family, there is no discord. Parents never think of contradicting an only daughter.  
 Some of the tuft-hunting society queens in New York are said to have gone lame all over in their efforts to learn to curtsy properly before the Prince of Wales gets there.  
 Every time a woman uses a plate or a spoon won at bridge, she wonders if her husband realizes how much is contributed to the home by her efforts.

Local Horse Won  
 Bill Sharon, a Fredericton horse owner and driven by Samuel Boyle, won the 2:30 trot at Houlton yesterday in straight heats. His time was 2:34, 2:21 and 2:25.

## DISORDERS AT MINING PLANT

Richmond, Ind., Aug. 29.—Use of strike-breakers at the plants of the Malleable Castings Co. and the Reliance Foundry Co. late last night culminated in a series of riots by strikers during which both plants were extensively damaged and one strike-breaker was severely beaten. Nine strike breakers were deported this morning and disorders stopped at one plant but continued at the other.

## NEW CHINESE ALPHABET

Pekin, Aug. 28.—The Chinese government has officially sanctioned a new alphabet of 39 new characters. Up till now the simplest Chinese dialect contained 420 monosyllabic vocables, each with a different symbol. This was a basis of a vocabulary of 44,000 words.

## LOCAL NEWS

**On His Holidays**  
 Town Marshal Leo Hayes of Devon is away on his holidays and Provincial Constable Charles Barker is supplying in his absence.

**Car Party Here**  
 A car party including Amos Kierstead, Miss Mary Sproul, F. R. Tackaberry and W. T. Evans motored from Boston and are at the Queen Hotel.

**Rafting Operations Completed**  
 The St. John River Log Driving Company's rafting operations at Douglas were completed on Tuesday and some rafting operations are still being carried on at the Mitchell boom.

**Given Sentence Today**  
 The young fifteen year old lad from Minto who was arrested last Saturday for stealing a bicycle from in front of the Palace Bowling Alleys came before the Police Magistrate today and was given a three months' sentence in the County Jail.

**Won Without a Contest**  
 Some few days ago Mr. Judson Hinchey of Parker's Ridge was in the city ordering ballot forms at the Daily Mail office. Today the office is in receipt of a communication from Mr. Hinchey to the effect that he won the game without a contest.

**Administration Letters Granted**  
 Letters of administration have been granted in the estate of the late James Toon of the Parish of St. Marys, York County. The total probate value of the estate is \$5500 of which all is personal property. William Toon is the administrator and C. D. Richards is proctor.

**Held Supper and Dance**  
 An enjoyable supper and dance was held at Douglas yesterday to which a large number of people from various points went to attend. Supper was held from five until eight o'clock and after that the Burt's Corner Band played the music for the dancing. The gathering broke up about midnight.

**Board of Health Meeting**  
 A meeting of the local Board of Health was held in the City Hall last evening with the chairman, Dr. J. A. Wade present. Only the routine business was carried out after which the bills were ordered to be paid. The reports of the sanitary inspector and others were heard and a discussion was held concerning the work of the Public Health Act.

**Car Parties Here Yesterday**  
 A number of car parties were in the city yesterday registered at the various hotels. Included among them were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Williams and the Misses Laura, Annie and Margaret Williams of Providence, R. I.; O. L. Barbour, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jones and Mrs. M. L. McNutt of St. John; and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Fink of Portland, Me.

**Will Have Light Team**  
 The High School boys have already started their foot-ball practice at College Field and while there is plenty of material from which to choose a team it looks as if the team will be even lighter than last year. Some of last year's players are on hand and several old players are out helping the boys in their practice. Alden Clark has been appointed Captain and Lionel Hawkins manager.

**A Chatham Wedding**  
 Montreal Gazette: Invitations have been issued in Chatham, New Brunswick, for the wedding on Wednesday, September 3, of Miss Alison Brankley, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Brankley, and Frederick Lawrence Snowball, of Chatham. Both bride and groom are well known in Montreal. Mr. Snowball having visited his sister Mrs. H. E. Rawlings, Crescent Street, and Miss Brankley having been in town for several months of study last year.

The Misses Elizabeth, Nellie and Annie Albright of Boston are visiting Mrs. James Doyle in King Street.

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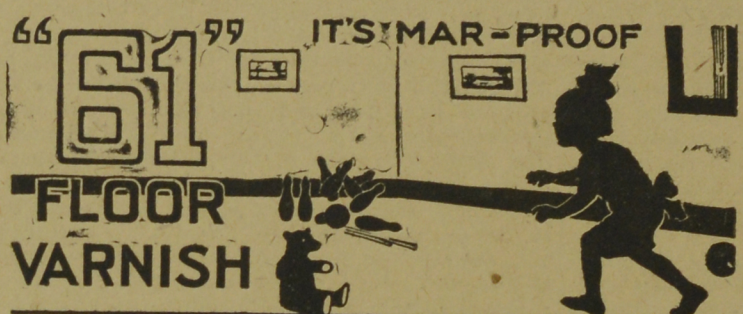
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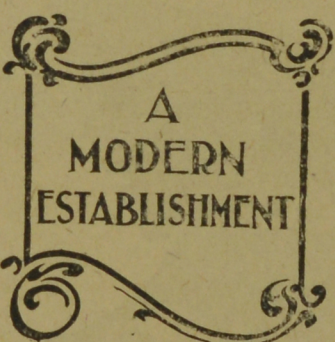
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