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THE PRICE OF ANTHRACITE

The Toronto Globe has received from various quarters protests against the statements as to the price at which anthracite coal is laid down in Buffalo and in Toronto, contained in a letter from a staff correspondent published in that paper. From the Coal controller's department the following memorandum has been received, which gives the present price at the mine and the freight rate upon the sort of anthracite most used in Ontario:

"Your correspondent, dealing with the situation in Buffalo, quotes the prices of coal at the mines at \$5.20 and \$5.40 a gross ton; also freight on same at \$1.70 per gross ton. These figures are inaccurate. The three sizes of coal in which the consuming is interested are egg, stove and nut, and the lowest price at which anthracite can be purchased at the mines, white ash grade, is as follows: Egg, \$5.85; stove, \$6.10; and nut, \$6.20, all gross tons. The freight on same to the bridge or Bucalo, is \$2.60 per gross ton. You will therefore readily see that if the prices you quote are correct, stove coal, for instance, would be delivered to the dealers in Toronto as follows: Mine price, \$5.40; freight, \$1.70; total, \$7.10 at the bridge, gross ton, equivalent to \$6.34 net ton, to which is added \$1 freight from the bridge to Toronto, making a total of \$7.34.

"As coal is now selling in Toronto at \$11.50, the public are given to understand that the dealer has a gross margin of \$4.16. The facts, however, are these: Stove coal at the mines, \$6.10; freight to the bridge, \$2.60, a total of \$8.70 gross ton, equivalent to \$7.76 net ton, to which is added \$1 freight to Toronto, making a total of \$8.76, giving the dealer a gross margin of \$2.74."

PRIVATE CARS.

A few days ago the despatches announced that a train running on the C. N. R. between Toronto and Ottawa had been derailed, and mention was made of the fact that no less than three private cars were attached to it. Commenting on this rather unusual incident, the Toronto Saturday Night says:

"We now appear to be approaching the point on our government railway system where the private car is becoming the universal sign of political and social distinction. Archie McCoig, M.P., dropped a few hints in Parliament the other day on this subject. He gave a vivid description of how the Toronto-Ottawa train on the government railway was unable to haul sufficient coaches to carry the common people by reason of the fact that it was loaded up with private cars. There was Sir Thomas White. He had a private car. And there was General Mewburn; he had another one; and there was still a third, that being occupied by Mr. D. B. Hanna, Director of National Railways. There would have been a fourth, that patronized by Sir Harry Drayton, chairman of the Railway Commission, only the locomotive could not haul another. So it came about that Sir Harry had to bunk in Mr. Hanna. However, Sir Harry was a good deal better off than a lot of other folks who wished to proceed Ottaward after the Easter vacation, for many could obtain no sleeping accommodation. It was a case of spend the night in a day coach or proceed by the C. P. R. Even the locomotive seems to have resented the performance, for it left the track at Smith's Falls, thereby derailing the train and spilling the beans on the floor of the House.

"Hon. Dr. Reid, Minister of Railways, might inform the public, in view of the Government's depleted finances, what it costs per mile to haul our numerous private cars. There are said to be eight or ten of these vehicles in Government service and he might also compute the loss sustained by our National Railway System when a private car crowds out the sleeping coach of the plain people.

Announcement was made in Paris this week that the dispute over Kiaochow had been settled. No details were made public. The peace treaty will provide that Germany must surrender Kiaochow to Japan, the Paris representative of Reuters Limited says. Japan will transfer the territory to China in due course. It is added that Japan's other agreements with China will not be affected.

The slam which the graft (\$10,000) organ took at His Worship Mayor Hanson in connection with the daylight saving plebiscite, is accepted in some quarters as a fairly good indication that a recent pilgrimage to Ottawa in quest of the "sineus of war" was not attended by any marked degree of success.

Official advices reaching Washington through a neutral source said that Bolshevik leaders, Lenin and Trotsky, were seeking a refuge outside of Russia, fearing a possible overthrow of the Czecho-Slovakian government.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

A hot time in the old town—and a hot town in the old time.

Adam was the first man who couldn't stand prosperity.

Grouchers are never in the pursuit of happiness. They don't believe in it.

Swat the fly. Swat it before it becomes the grandfather of five billion flies.

When it comes to choosing a place to live environment is more important than the wall paper.

Occasionally a woman gets the notion that she isn't helping the world unless her heart is aching for it.

Men without imagination have no business reading novels and disease symptoms. They can't enjoy them.

Germany would enjoy a quarrel among the peace conference delegates, no matter in what language.

When a woman has twins all the other mothers of twins want to offer their sympathy, but they haven't time.

Now is the time to set the onion. Set it an hour ahead to conform to the daylight saving plan. This is also a desirable time for spilling the beans. Everybody's doing it.

ARRESTS IN DEPOT BATT'N CANTEN CASE

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 discharge from that corps resided here. He enlisted in the 26th Battalion in 1914 and served in France. After his return to New Brunswick he was appointed to the Depot Battalion.

The Charges
 Of the officers under arrest it is understood that fourteen charges of embezzlement are made against Lt.-Col. McAvity, that in the case of Capt. Logan, charged with failing to volunteer evidence against his commanding officer, his attitude will in this instance lead to a recognition of the fact that he placed friendship before military duty and is more or less a victim of circumstances, that Lieut. Belyea as the responsible officer in charge of the canteen will be required to explain his methods of accounting and reply to the charges of embezzlement against him, that the other three commissioned officers as members of a board of enquiry suppressed evidence, and that Sergt. Rawlings committed perjury according to the charge now standing against him.

Premises Ralced Wednesday
 Chief of Police Finley, Liquor Inspector W. D. Wilson and Policemen Powers and Hartt made an unsuccessful raid for intoxicating liquor on Wednesday afternoon on the premises and stables of George B. Moore. Before the chief and Inspector Wilson proceeded with the raid Moore who was suspicious of a "plant" searched them to see if they carried any liquor with them. No liquor was found on Mr. Moore's premises.

Wholesalers on Standard Time
 The Wholesale Merchants of Fredericton held a meeting Thursday afternoon at the Board of Trade rooms and decided to adopt Atlantic Standard time for their places of business on and after Monday next and so conform with the retail trade and other branches of trade. This decision was reached upon the assurance of Mr. Charles McCarthy of the C. P. R. and Mr. R. Z. Walker of the C. N. R. that the freight sheds of both railways would be operated on Atlantic Standard time. The wholesalers personally were all strongly in favor of Daylight Saving.

MARYSVILLE HAPPENINGS

Marysville, May, 2.—Mr. and Mrs. James Waterman have moved to Fredericton and will occupy the house on the corner of Northumberland and King Streets.

Mrs. Duncan Buchanan has returned home from McAdam where she has been visiting friends for the past few days.

Miss Lula Lovely will leave tomorrow for Florenceville to visit relatives. The K. of P. will hold their regular convention tonight in Castle Hall.

The many friends of Mr. E. W. Peterson will be sorry to hear that he is confined to his home with illness.

Mrs. Jennie White will occupy the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. James Waterman.

Mr. Horace Pugh is able to be about again after his recent severe illness.

Mr. Alexander Gibson is rapidly recovering his health.

The different officers of the town were sworn in last night at the Police Station by His Worship Mayor Stafford. Mrs. Roy Forbes of South Devon has gone to Sackville to join her husband who is working there.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Donovan of Fredericton were visiting friends here yesterday.

PROPOSES NEW DEATH PENALTY

Ottawa, May 1.—With the exception of an amendment by Mr. Cronyn, the immigration bill passed through committee in the House today. Mr. Cronyn's amendment aims to prohibit for a term of five years the entry into Canada of people from southeastern Europe. He specified a geographical line of demarcation.

The amendment was allowed to stand. It now remains the only topic for discussion in committee on the bill.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie moved for the appointment of a special committee to consider and report on the laws with relation to sedition and seditious propaganda and to decide whether changes are necessary. The motion carried.

H. M. Mowat introduced his bill to amend the criminal code. The amendment provides for the substitution of electrocution instead of hanging for the death penalty. The bill also provides, he said, that execution should not take place in a local jail, but in the nearest provincial penitentiary.

LOCAL NEWS

New Banking Hours
 The banks of the city will remain open for business half an hour later after the 18th inst., the hours then being 9.30 a. m. to 3 p. m.

City Engineer Arrives.
 Mr. G. C. McDowell, accompanied by his wife, arrived from Truro this morning and is now at the Barker House. They will take temporary apartments pending the opening of the Phoenix Square Apartments. Mr. McDowell will enter at once upon his duties as City Engineer.

Leaving for Ottawa
 Hon. P. J. Veniot Minister of Public Works, returned last night from St. John where the Provincial Government was in session. He will elave tomorrow for his home in Bathurst, whence he will go to Ottawa to confer with Mr. A. W. Campbell, federal commissioner in charge of the distribution of the highway grants to provinces. Hon. Mr. Veniot will not leave Ottawa before Thursday next.

Will Resign from Department
 The callmen of the Fredericton Fire Department having had no chance to send a delegation before the City Council before the end of the fire year decided to serve up to the 7th of May until the decision of the City Council had been given regarding their petition for an increased annual pay from \$75 to \$100. Should the petition be refused the firemen will resign. Twenty-six out of twenty-eight call men have signed the petition and Assistant Chief W. M. Clark has also signified his intention to resign unless an increase be given him.

Laid to Rest
 The funeral of the late, Miss Ethel Maud Day took place on Wednesday afternoon from the home on Charlotte street and was attended by a number of relatives and sympathizing friends. The service was conducted by Rev. J. J. Colter and interment was made in the Rural Cemetery. Following is a list of the floral tributes: Carnations Mr. and Mrs. James Mc Masters; Flat bouquet, Allan Ryan; Basket of flowers, Mr. T. W. Fraser and staff; Roses, Mrs. Georgina Kenny; Basket, Daniel Regan and family; Flat bouquet, Mrs. Fairley; Flat bouquet, Mrs. Cecil Holdier; Pillow, Family; Basket, Mrs. Churchill Fox and family; Crescent, Mr. J. Weddall and daughter; Carnations, Mary Palmer; Flat bouquet, Mrs. Arthur C. Grant; Roses, Violet Wilson.

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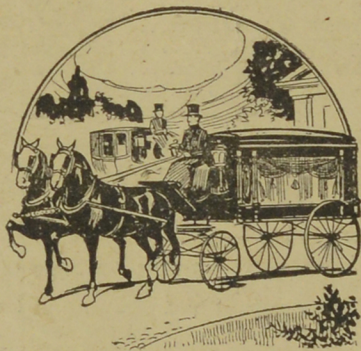
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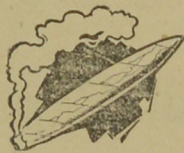


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