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A NEW DEPARTURE

Proportional representation is to be given a trial for the first time in Canada in the city of Winnipeg in connection with the Manitoba Provincial elections to be held some time during the coming summer. Winnipeg elects ten members to the House and it is expected that there will be at least twenty-five candidates in the field, including Liberals, Conservatives and Laborites. The Toronto Globe thus explains the plan to be followed:

"Instead of marking crosses opposite the names of the men of his choice, the voter will indicate by numbers the order of his preference. The ballot will be valid if he merely puts the figure 1 opposite one name, but not if he puts it opposite more than one. The quota of votes required to elect a candidate will be the number of votes polled divided by the number of seats. When any candidate reaches the quota the votes in excess of the number required to elect him are transferred to other candidates. For instance, the elector who marks his ballot for Jones, Smith and Brown in the order named gives directions that he wishes his vote transferred to Smith if Jones does not need it, and to Brown if Smith does not need it, and so on down to the tenth man if he has voted for ten men.

"It is evident that the process of counting the votes in Winnipeg will be long and somewhat complicated. Advocates of proportional representation (P. R. for short) in every province are watching the experiment eagerly, and point to recent trials on a large scale in Ireland, Belgium, and Tasmania as demonstrating the practicability of the plan. The success of the system in Winnipeg might pave the way for its adoption in other Provinces or even in the Federal sphere, beginning perhaps with its application to large constituencies electing two or more members where under present methods of voting minorities often secure no representation."

THE ST. JOHN BY ELECTION

The local opposition in St. John have called a convention for Wednesday evening of this week to select a candidate to oppose Hon. Dr. Roberts at the by election to be held on June 14th. In commenting editorially on the announcement the St. John Globe, an independent newspaper has this to say:

"When the provincial opposition met in convention in St. John a few months ago the local representatives and their supporters were practically a unit in declaring that Hon. J. A. Murray should not be their leader. They spoke and voted against his reelection. Their protests, their threats went unheeded. The convention named Mr. Murray and when the Legislature met the men who had so roundly denounced him as unfit to lead fell in line and voted their support on every occasion which gave opportunity for a vote. Now has come the testing time of the party itself. A call, issued today for a convention on Wednesday evening next to consider the situation created by the appointment to office of Hon. Dr. Roberts, is a call to the rank and file to say whether or not the party leadership is satisfactory. More than opposition to the Minister of Public Health is involved in next Wednesday evening's convention. The opposition as well as the government is on trial in this contest. So long as the Hon. J. A. Murray remains the acknowledged party leader no reliance can be placed in opposition talk of good government, Remembrance of the Valley Railroad, the patriotic potato and the timber limit scandals makes support impossible by those who regard political honesty an essential of party government."

Woodstock Sentinel-Review: There is no more use crying "Back to the farms," than there was in the old King's forbidding the tide to advance. No means has yet been suggested for forcing people to stay on the farms or compelling them to return to the farms, so long as they can make more money in the towns and cities and enjoy more of what they regard as the good things of life. When work is in plenty and wages are high, life in the city has its attractions against which country life finds it difficult to compete. It is only when times are bad and money scarce in the cities that

the attractions of the country are appreciated. Will it be necessary to turn the drift back to the farms again?

St. John Globe: Tariff schedules prove that those who saw, or thought they saw in first announcements a prospect of beating the Government by buying individual garments instead of suits will be sadly disappointed. The country must have money, and if it could only have at the same time some convincing proof of an attempt at practical economy there would be a more general willingness to accept the new burdens, which must bear heavily.

As a western paper says: "Don't be a tax slacker, putting the country to additional expense, incriminating the shopkeeper and clogging the courts with prosecutions. Pay your taxes and help to build up a body of public opinion which seriously respects the law of this country. A bad law will not be amended any sooner because it is popularly and effectively and persistently evaded."

Halifax Chronicle: At any rate the new Budget ought to help the unemployed situation—in this regard. It will require an army of collectors to collect the taxes and another army of clerks and bookkeepers to keep track of the levies in individual business houses.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Dyspepsia quickly transforms an optimist into a pessimist.

If a patient has lots of money any doctor can relieve him.

The Union Government has put an excise tax on Laundry Soap—evidently thinks it is a luxury.

No use trying to plan children and a backyard garden to suit the neighbors.

It's not for the consumer "to reason why" every time the price of gasoline goes up.

Lima Beane says a wrinkle is a dimple that has grown too old to play hide-and-seek.

In the month before June the world is just full of engaged optimists—and married pessimists.

Something that hasn't gone up since the war—the Sunday morning church collections.

The man with the contented look who sits in the tonneau of the car usually pays the bills.

You may have known a man intimately nearly all your life and then not be able to recognize a sketch of him in a magazine.

Every wife believes she can read her husband's mind, but no husband tries to read his wife's. It doesn't stand still long enough.

AT THE PICTURE HOUSES

The Monday program at the Opera House is Li-La Lee, in the play "Heart of Youth." Miss Lee has been shown in several pictures of late to the delight of patrons of the screen. There is also a good comedy.

The Gaiety has Wallace Reid in "Double Speed," for Monday and Tuesday. It is a good comedy and with Wallace Reid as a star there is double fun as well as double speed in its action.

There is a quaint twist to the plot which centers about a young man who is forced to give up his motorcar and go to the nearest city disguised as a tramp. He is not recognized on his arrival and a lot of trouble ensues until he devises the idea of impersonating himself. This he does with much effect, that he not only wins in romance and gets back the car which "the girl" had bought and which originally belonged to him.

Beautiful California scenery is shown in the many views of the car speeding along the roadways and the comedy, brought out by a heretofore unheard of director, is excellent.

Wallace Reid is capital, taking full advantage of every opportunity. Theodore Roberts again shows himself a master of character acting and Tully Marshall's sense of humor serves in good stead. Wanda Hawley realized the full extent of her ability as leading woman.

DANDELIONS BECOMING POPULAR

Alden, May 29—The dandelion has become a very popular flower. It has been a puzzle to rural people to understand just why so many autoists stopped to gather the yellow blossoms. "Are brides wearing dandelions this year?" one was asked.

"Hardly that," was the reply, "but they make mighty good wine."

Fire on Highway Bridge.

The motor-truck of the Fredericton Fire Department responded to an alarm about one o'clock this afternoon for a fire in the plank flooring of the Fredericton-Devon highway bridge. The fire did damage to a number of planks. A second alarm was responded to later. There also was a fire there Saturday night.

BY AEROPLANE TO PARIS.

A distinctly novel attraction has now been provided in the G.P.R. office windows at Charing Cross, an attraction which has been much admired by the crowds who have gathered to make inspection. The fine windows usually devoted to the exhibition of things Canadian is being occupied by an excellent model aeroplane of the Aircraft Transport and Travel, Limited, at Hendon, together with scientifically accurate models of various types of aeroplanes and airships.

Such a display in a railway and shipping office may seem rather unusual at first sight, but is really a sign of the times, also marking much enterprise on the part of the Dominion Express Company of Canada. Realising the importance of maintaining a really "Express" service, if its name is still to be justified, the Dominion Express Company, the premier express company in Canada, made arrangements to act as Passenger and Parcel Agents for the Aircraft Transport and Travel Limited on their London-Paris daily air service.

It is thus possible for either passengers or parcels to be booked for conveyance by aeroplane to or from London and Paris through any of the Dominion Express Company's offices in Europe, and these, in addition to London are to be found in important cities such as Liverpool, Glasgow, Manchester, Birmingham, Bristol and Paris.

The advantages of this arrangement are many, for the Dominion Express, holding as it does the exclusive right of shipping Express parcels over the entire C.P.R. system, as agents for the Aeroplane Service can ensure that an Express package scheduled to catch a certain ship actually reached its destination in Canada in the shortest possible space of time. As time is money nowadays, more than ever it was, it is easy to realise what an important adjunct an Air Service is to an Express Company.

The time-table shows that only 2 1/4 hours is occupied on the journey to or from London and Paris—urgent letters are carried at 2 shillings and 6 pence per ounce over the ordinary letter rate.

Parcels for delivery in Paris on the same day have to be handed in at the London office of the Dominion Express Company, 62-65, Charing Cross, London, S.W., before 10.30 a.m. The parcels rates range from 1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d. per lb. according to quantity, while special rates are quoted for large and regular consignments. The single fare for passengers is 15 guineas which includes a car to convey the passenger to Hounslow, the starting point. The Dominion Express Company's officials at Charing Cross have every reason to believe that a large proportion of Canadian visitors to Europe this year will take advantage of the ease with which it is now possible to book seats for a real flying visit to the Continent through their office. In fact, if they so wish, a motor car can pick them up in Trafalgar Square, and in under three hours they can be walking along the Champs Elysees.

Work Held Up

The work of laying concrete curb and gutter on the western side of Court House Square has been delayed pending a decision of the York County Council at the regular meeting in June. There is doubt concerning the jurisdiction over the Court House Square.

City Council Meeting.

The City Council will meet tonight in committee in preparation for the regular June session which will be held Tuesday night. The matter of the hospital endowment and the request for a bond issue of \$100,000 for that institution will be among the matters considered. The matter of permanent pavement by contract also will be considered.

A GREAT SLANDER.

"Movies Blamed by Minister for Divorces."—Headline.

"Ha, ha! Why the very idea!"

(Signed)

DOUG. FAIRBANKS.

MARY PICKFORD

OWEN MOORE

FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN.

BEVERLY BAYNE.

PUBLIC NOTICE

If the car that was burned last September on my premises 3 miles from Oromocto, is not called for in six days it will be sold.

WM. L. JONES, Oromocto.

May 31st.

Fire Notice

Owing to the extreme dry period at present prevailing in the Province, and the numerous fires now existing, NO FIRES WILL BE SET FOR THE PURPOSE OF BURNING BRUSH PILES nor the setting of fires upon forest lands UNTIL THE PRESENT DANGEROUS PERIOD EXPIRES.

ALL PERMITS TO BURN ARE HEREBY REVOKED.

E. A. SMITH,
 Minister of Lands and Mines.
 Crown Land Office,
 Fredericton, N. B.,
 May 26th, 1920.

House Cleaning Time

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STAPLES' PHARMACY

ALONZO STAPLES, Prop.

End of May Devotions
 The end of May Devotions took place at St. Dunstan's Church Sunday. A large class of children joined the Children of Mary.

Conciliation Board at Minto
 It is expected that the conciliation board which has been named to hear both sides of the miners' wage question at the Minto mines will meet this week. Robert Baxter, president of the United Mine Workers was expected at Minto on Saturday, but he has been delayed by a strike at Springhill which he is endeavoring to adjust.

WALLACE REID

AT The GAIETY TODAY and TUESDAY

DOUBLE SPEED

A Paramount Artcraft Picture.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

FOX NEWS

4 Shows Daily—at 2.30, 3.45, 7.15 and 8.40.

Wednesday — KATHERINE MACDONALD in "THE THUNDERBOLT."

FOOT NEEDS

For the relief of Burning, Sweating, Perspiring Feet, REXALL FOOT POWDER used in conjunction with the FOOT TABLETS instantly relieve this burning sweating, tired feeling.

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