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THE CANADIAN BEAVER A WONDERFUL ANIMAL

Canadian National Emblem is the Possessor of Brains--Performed First Engineering Works on This Continent---Many Creeks Bear Its Name---The Beaver One of the Most Picturesque of Animals.

It is not generally known that the beaver, our national emblematic animal, founded the great Astor fortune. It was with money obtained by buying and selling beaver skins that John Jacob Astor got his start. In fact the beaver once had a very large place in the life of this continent, and it is estimated that over a hundred rivers and creeks in America bear its name. It is estimated that when the English-speaking population of what is now Canada would not have made a good sized town, there were upwards of one hundred million beaver on this continent.

Beaver skins were one of the chief mediums of exchange among the earliest settlers of this country. They were the standard by which guns, sugar and cattle were valued, and for nearly 200 years were one of the most important exports of both countries. These skins were used chiefly in the manufacture of beaver hats such as Sir Oliver Cromwell wore, or as Shakespeare described as the headpiece of Hamlet's father.

Kingsford's "History of Canada" says that in the eighteenth century Canada exported moderate quantities of timber, wheat, ginseng root and other commodities, but from first to last she lived largely on beaver skins. Horace T. Martin, formerly Secretary of Agriculture for Canada, says of the beaver's part in Canadian development that from the beginning that animal "has been associated with the industrial and commercial development, and indirectly with the social life, the romance and, to a considerable extent, with the wars of the country."

The beaver is undoubtedly one of the most interesting and picturesque of common animals, and yet, contradictorily enough, one about which very little popular knowledge and a great deal of misinformation are current. He has been the object of legislation in the United States. Twenty-four states in all have voted him legal protection, and the Canadian Government has also passed laws aimed against the danger of his extermination.

It is when he stands erect that the beaver presents the best appearance. Then his rather awkward, powerful figure has the happy and childish eagerness of the chipmunk and the alert and capable attitude of the listening grizzly bear. The average beaver is about thirty-eight inches in length and weighs about the same number of pounds. The color of his fur is a reddish brown, sometimes shading into a dark brown and more rarely a black. His tail is his most conspicuous feature; it somewhat resembles the end of an oar in shape and is covered with a black skin that has the appearance of scales, though no scales actually exist. It serves its owner variously as rudder, stool, prop, scull and signal club with which he can thwack the water a resounding slap of warning, playfulness or derision. There is no basis in fact for the common belief that the beaver uses his tail for a trowel. The beaver's ears are short and rounded, his hind feet webbed like a duck's and his forepaws handlike. He is accomplished in the use of his forepaws, handling mud and sticks in them with great dexterity. His teeth are large, strong, and have self-sharpening enamel edges.

Beavers are swift and agile swimmers and have no trouble in negotiating 200 yards under water without once coming to the surface for air. His food is almost entirely the inner bark of such water-loving trees as the aspen, the cottonwood and the willow. Every fall the members of all beaver colonies collect a pile of these woods sufficient to supply their needs throughout the winter months of ice-enforced inactivity. These food stores they anchor in the ponds formed by their dams.

The beaver lives in a house, or lodge, which he builds by clawing out a chamber in a domelike mound of sticks and mud. The diameter of these houses ranges from five to thirty-five feet, according to the number of beavers that are going to occupy them. The foundation is usually built on the bottom of the pond, the height of the portion above the waterline varying from three to seven feet. The walls of the house are made of mud

and turf, reinforced with polelike sticks. The beavers keep these walls in repair, and when they are frozen they are as strong as concrete. A house commonly has two entrances, but may have as many as five. All these entrances are through the mouths of tunnels, which are dug upward from the bottom of the pond.

Water of some depth and area is as indispensable to beaver life as air is to ours. The beaver needs water as a refuge from his numerous and watchful enemies in the summer time, and in the winter months water is the inviolable bolt with which he safely seals his windowless, cell-like home. Volumes could be written on the uncanny engineering skill they display in building dams and in digging canals either to lead water into a pond or to facilitate logging or food gathering operations from groves, both far and near. Beaver dams more than 2,000 feet in length have been built.

"There is no animal," writes an authority, "below man in the entire range of mammalia which offers to our investigation such a series of works or presents such remarkable material for study and illustrations of animal psychology."

LIBERAL PARTY PREDOMINATES IN DOMINION

Legislatures of Canada Contain 323 Liberals and Only 87 Conservatives—116 Agrarians.

Le Canada, Montreal, publishes an interesting table showing the representation of the different parties in the various Local Legislatures. It is as follows:

| | Lib-erals | Conser-vatives | Farm-ers |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|----------|
| Quebec | 74 | 5 | .. |
| Ontario | 28 | 25 | 46 |
| Nova Scotia | 30 | 1 | 5 |
| New Brunswick | 24 | 13 | 7 |
| P. E. Island | 25 | 5 | .. |
| Manitoba | 23 | 7 | 8 |
| Saskatchewan | 52 | 6 | .. |
| Alberta | 35 | 18 | .. |
| British Columbia | 32 | 9 | .. |

There are also 35 Labor and 15 Independent representatives. The figures in regard to the Provinces in which elections have been held recently Manitoba, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, may require some modification, but the table is substantially correct.

Examine the figures. There are 528 representatives in all, or more than twice the membership of the Dominion House of Commons. There are 323 Liberals, or 205 more than all others combined. There are only 89 Conservatives, not much more than one-sixth of the whole. There are 116 representatives of the new groups, or 27 more than the Conservatives. The Conservatives are at or near the bottom the Liberals are in an overwhelming majority. What better demonstration could be given of the overwhelming strength of Liberalism in Canada, and the hopeless weakness of Conservatism?

We do not say that these proportions will be exactly repeated in the next general elections for Canada, but they indicate that the Liberals will have at least the strongest representation of any party or group, and probably a working majority.

Those electors that are afraid that because of the presence of new groups in the field there may be a condition of uncertainty after the next election will do well to support the Liberal party and give it a good working majority. Here we take leave to repeat that the best rallying ground for men and women who are at once moderate and progressive is the Liberal party. It is attacked by extremists because of its moderation. Protectionists attack it as a free trade party; free traders who would go the whole way say that the Liberal party does not go far enough. It has been assailed by centralizing imperialists on one side and by men holding the opinions of Henri Bourassa on the other. It takes the golden mean between these two extremes. It believes in unity and freedom. In regard to economic questions it believes in free discussion tending toward orderly progress.

Such a party is the natural home of sober and thoughtful people who are in doubt as to their future political affiliation. It may not attract extremists but the great silent vote of the nation is not likely to be cast for extremes of any kind. The war is over, and the mood and temper of war are giving place to the growth of constructive Liberalism.

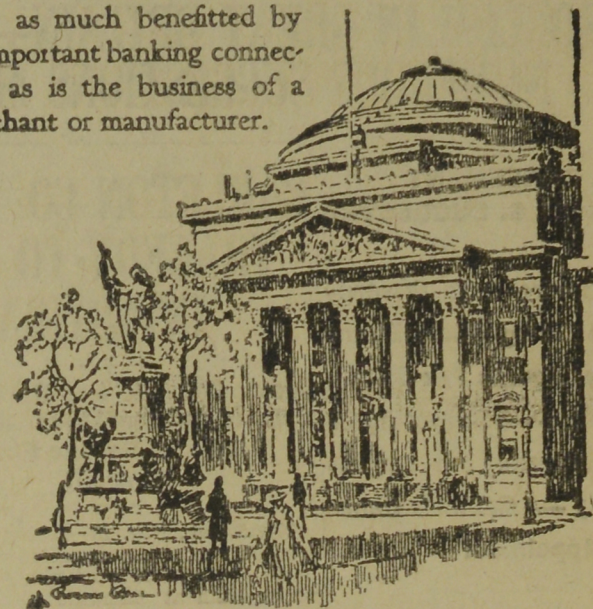
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Certain merchants have offered to furnish departments in their stores to be conducted wholly by those who as a result of the war or other causes have lost their sight.

more those who recognize these needs will rally round the Liberal party. Leadership belongs to the Liberal party, and all that is necessary to assure success is that Liberals through out the country shall recognize and grasp the great opportunity which now presents itself. The country needs such an administration as it had under Liberal leadership in 1896 and the succeeding fifteen years.

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Vienna, Nov. 12—The Austrian Press and population are jubilant because the province of Carinthia where a referendum has just taken place, will remain Austrian. Though the exact figures are not yet known, optimists expect a majority of 60 per cent in favor of a union with Austria; and a huge majority is certain. All Carinthian voters residing in other parts of Austria had been promised free travel and hotel expenses by the pro-Austrian Committees.

Some short skirts elicit admiration, others pity, and still others amusement.

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| 6.50 pm | 6.50 pm | 4.35 pm | 8.05 am | Lv. Fred'ton Jn. Lv. 10.30 am | 10.57 am | 8.35 pm |
| 7.40 pm | 7.40 pm | 5.20 pm | 8.55 am | Ar. Fred'ton. Lv. 9.15 am | 9.15 am | 8.35 pm |

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