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TOURIST TRAVEL

The tourist travel to the Maritime Provinces this season is not so large as usual, while Quebec reports a great rush. "No official statistics in regard to the number of tourists who visited the Ancient Capital since the beginning of June are on hand," says the Quebec Telegraph, "for the present, but it is estimated by hotel and railway officials that at least 75,000 people have spent some time in the quaint old city, one quarter of whom have motored here from all points of America, hundreds of automobiles having been registered in local garages. On some days, as many as five thousand meals were served at the Chateau and in the other hotels comparatively there has been the same influx while boarding houses and private residences have been utilized to their capacity. Through good organization on the part of hotelmen, none of the visitors have been left without shelter, and even if hundreds more had paid a visit here on any record day, there would have been accommodation for each and every one. B. B. Neale, manager of the Chateau Frontenac, and his assistant, Thomas Monaghan, have been in receipt of hundreds of reservations which unfortunately could not be filled in—but in all cases they have advised the parties that they would be welcome in the Ancient Capital just the same—and that some adequate accommodation would be provided. Needless to say this policy has been very successful, as thousands who might have been discouraged have flooded in with this assurance, which has meant great benefit to the commerce in this city and also has kept up her reputation of hospitality.

In the sole City of Quebec, it may be safely calculated that the estimated seventy-five thousand tourists have spent directly or indirectly, an average of one hundred dollars per head—which equals to \$7,500,000—a crop, which cannot possibly be envied by any other city of the same size. And the season is far from being over—since August and September reservations are booked—and even requests for rooms have been received from parties for October.

Montreal also reports an unusual number of tourists, and some people are unkind enough to say the reason why these cities are popular just now is because this Province permits a beer and wine license.

NEW BRUNSWICK LEADS.

Then in general matters of forest policy New Brunswick, according to the Canadian Commission of Conservation, sets the pace for all the provinces. The Minister of Public Lands is assisted by an Advisory Commission, composed of representatives of private holders of forest lands, and lease-holders of Crown Lands. A permanent staff of technically trained men have general supervisors of the forests, and control a large force of men organized for fire fighting and game protection. The regulations designed to protect the forests against fires are comprehensive and drastic and any man between 18 and 45 years of age may be summoned to fight fires.

So far the Government has not replanted waste areas, but the Forest Act provides for reforestation, and the forest survey is ascertaining the extent and condition of all waste areas. When the survey is completed the Government will be able to handle intelligently the planting of waste areas as part of a progressive forest policy. In the matter of the regeneration of the natural forest the regulations, have been so drawn as to

When Folks Quit Coffee because of cost to health or purse, they naturally drink

INSTANT POSTUM
"There's a Reason"

protect and encourage the young growth as much as possible, while a selection system of logging prevents the stands being cut clear of seed trees.

The promised slump in the price of sugar seems long overdue in this part of the country. Boston and New York brokers are offering sugar from \$18.25 to \$22.25 per hundred pounds. In Canada the price remains firm around \$25 per hundred pounds. It is said that Canadian refiners have large stocks on hand which must be disposed of before there is any drop in the price. No time is lost in notifying the consumer of an advance in the price of sugar but when a slump comes he must wait until the refiners can pull out square.

The nine-word will of Dr. Heyes Clement, of Philadelphia, written in lead pencil on a scrap of paper and devising an estate valued at \$35,000 to his wife, has been admitted to probate, against the protest of his aged mother, who would have inherited \$15,000, but who has two daughters living in affluence. The will, written by Dr. Clement the night before his wife went to a hospital for a serious operation, reads: "If Lois lives I will give her all I own."

The amendment to the United States Constitution extending the franchise to women has been ratified by the Tennessee Legislature. This makes a total of thirty six States which have now ratified the amendment and means that some twenty-seven million women will have the franchise at the approaching presidential election.

The plebiscite on the importation of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes will be taken in the province of Nova Scotia on Monday October 25th. In selecting returning officers for the different constituencies the so-called National, Liberal and Conservative government at Ottawa seems to have passed over the entire list of sheriffs.

Judge Marsh, of Detroit, says that the man or woman who drives an automobile at an excessive rate of speed through a thickly populated district at an hour when children are on the street has murder in his heart." Such a man may be murderous, says the Free Press, "but he hasn't any heart."

Robinson Crusoe's isle is to be changed into a modern pleasure resort. One day in each week will be celebrated specially, says the Quebec Telegraph. "Which one?" did you ask. Why, of course, man, Friday.

Theory that no woman can keep a secret is once more proved false; a Paris lady having just confessed that she murdered her husband fifteen years ago, and never told a soul about it until a few days ago.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Los Angeles is no climate for the man with a loose set of false teeth.

When being photographed a woman adjusts her gown, a man his face.

Some men say that they think and some say what other men think.

Some race horses appear to be temperamental and others have horse sense.

By industry and frugality salaried folk may some day reach the point where they will draw wages.

To say now that a thing is worth only a scrap of paper is a compliment, not a knock.

There is some sense to that decision that wool doesn't constitute clothing. Everybody knows what wool is for—it is to pull over people's eyes.

Blondes are said to be disappearing, but you can't tell. There may be an other raid on the drug stores almost any time.

As proof that we are a kindly, tolerant people, there is the evidence that the clerks who tell us prices are going up next week still breathe and have their being.

Pictures in the papers which show a lot of husky young men engaged in a canoe race at a summer resort react surprisingly on the farmer who, for want of labor, is trying to run one hundred and sixty acres all by himself.

The prospectus of a flying machine "at a price within the range of the average man's pocket-book" lies before us, and we find it all right except that it does not seem to be provided with the cushions and springs and rubber and stuff which might remove one of the few disagreeable features of aeroplaning, to wit, the landing.

Mr. W. T. Martin, of Ottawa was among the visitors to the city last week.

ELECTRIC CURRENT OFF FOR AN HOUR

Business Seriously Interrupted Saturday Night—Motion Picture Theatres Were Hard Hit.

A broken air-pump at the power-house of The Maritime Electric Company, Shore Street put all electric lights in Fredericton and Devon with the exception of the Fredericton Street lights, out of business for an hour Saturday night. The lights went off at about 8.30. The trouble at the power house was hard to locate and an abortive attempt to put on the current had to be abandoned. At about 9.30 the lights came on.

Business was demoralized. Candles lamps and lanterns were called into requisition. Some places of business closed in spite of the fact that the Saturday trade is the best of the week. Merchants, few in number, who had acetylene gas plants in reserve were in luck. Residences generally had oil-lamps at hand.

The motion picture theatres were hard hit. The first show stopped in the middle. A refund was made to patrons and many returned to the performance when it was resumed at 9.30.

The incident showed how dependent business has become on electric current. Barber shops operated under difficulties and some shaves stopped abruptly in the middle.

MOTORING PARTIES.

Hotels Had Many of Them Registered Over the Week-end.

A large number of visiting motoring parties were in Fredericton Saturday and Sunday. Carl Heckbert and George W. Gibson and wife, of Woodstock; J. Wilson and family, of Oldtown, Me.; O. L. McAllister, A. E. Gorbell, Wm. Forse, R. B. Dann, of Moncton; W. P. Wamsley and family, of Moncton; Dr. C. E. Williams, R. H. Williams and Miss Williams, of Houlton; W. H. Hoyt, of Woodstock and R. G. Hoyt, of McAdam were at the Barker House.

Sidney G. Murray and James V. Russell, of St. John; Dr. A. Sormany and wife, R. A. Leger and wife, of Shediac; Mrs. K. Shives, of Campbellton, Miss Mills, of St. John, Mrs. W. F. Napier and children and E. J. Gillis, of Campbellton; Mr. and Mrs. H. Miller, Mrs. E. E. Stackhouse, C. Knight, Ralph Miller, of St. John, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Malone, of Stanley; Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Creighton, Master Franklin Creighton and Master Alton Creighton, of Woodstock; Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Jones, Miss Harriet Jones, Sidney M. Jones, of St. John; Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Hickey, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Fitcher and Miss E. Appleby, of Woodstock; G. R. Wilson and H. F. Perry, wife and daughter, of Moncton; Mr. and Mrs. Percy Turcot, of St. John; Miss London, of Woodstock; Louis Chalifour, of Quebec; Gladys White, Esther Mignault and Rita Arsenault, of Ipswich, Mass., were at the Queen.

BIG FIRE BURNS LUMBER NEAR NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, Aug. 22—A disastrous fire, which consumed property estimated to be worth \$300,000 occurred near here yesterday when flames swept through lumber in the mill yard of the Edward Sinclair Lumber Company about three miles from this town near the Northwest Bridge. The fire was first seen about 12.30 in the afternoon, and with a strong south west wind blowing which reached gale velocity at times, quickly assumed serious proportions and became beyond control of the fire fighters of the mill. An alarm was sent in and the firemen responded from Newcastle and Chatham. Several tug-boats also went up the river to the scene of the fire and men from outlying villages also went to the scene. The various mills were shut down to permit the employees to fight the fire. Between 400 and 500 men were engaged in combating the flames, which were finally subdued.

It is estimated that 4,000,000 feet of boards, deal and logs were destroyed. Four houses belonging to the company were also burned and the loss is estimated to be about \$300,000, partly covered by insurance. The mill itself was not damaged to any great extent.

The fire fighters had a hard time to keep the fire from spreading. A barn owned by Alexander Duie, situated about a mile down the road from the scene of the fire, became ignited from sparks carried by the strong wind. There were about fifteen tons of hay in the barn, which was all destroyed as well as all of the owners' farming implements. No live stock was burned but a pig was lost under peculiar circumstances. The pig was in the barn and was released from its pen. On gaining its freedom it ran out on the road in front of an approaching automobile and was killed.

The fire is thought to probably have been caused by a spark from the mill burner, carried by the high wind.

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