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JUDGES' SALARY

A committee of Parliament has been named to go into the matter of the salaries of judges. The impression seems to prevail at the Federal capital that the salary of Supreme Court judges will be fixed at \$12,000 with \$3,000 additional for Chief Justices. It is said that the salaries of county court judges will be boosted from \$5,000 to \$9,000 per year. The present salary of a Supreme Court Judge \$9,000, with \$1,000 additional for a Chief Justice. A few years ago when the salary of a Supreme Court Judge was \$4,000, the government never experienced any difficulty in filling vacancies. There are some lawyers, however, who earn a great deal more than Supreme Court Judges and there are some who earn a great deal less. Of New Brunswick's seven Supreme Court Judges, only one had not seen service in public life prior to his elevation to the bench. Of the remainder, two served in the Federal Parliament and four in the New Brunswick Legislature. No less than four had served the province in the capacity of Attorney-General before going to the bench.

Of the six County Court Judges, only two had experience in public life prior to appointment to their present positions. A Supreme Court Judge, even at the present salary is a far more lucrative office than a Lieutenant Governorship, which was not always the case. The fact that the judges are behind the movement inaugurated to bring about a salary increase seems to indicate that the honor and dignity which goes with a judicial appointment is not regarded by them as having any cash value.

THE DECLINE OF SHOES

About ninety-nine per cent of the world's ills (ninety nine per cent of which are more or less imaginary), have been attributed to the automobile, but there is at least one change wrought by the popular use of the "gasoline buggy." That is, some of the profit from the automobile to the owner, dealer and manufacturer is at the expense of the shoe man.

The more automobiles in use and the more automobiles are used the less wear and tear on shoes. Such manufacturers and merchants are complaining that shoes are not wearing out in such large numbers and so quickly as formerly. Of course, the buyers of this longer-wearing footwear are making no such complaint.

Here is one of the inevitable results of the universal adoption of the automobile, truck and tractor. Farmers have ceased walking beside the wagon and behind the plow. Urbanites in ever increasing numbers walk to work and errands are usually "run" in the car.

However, the trend isn't all away from use of the feet. The people who once walked to church and then sat at home Sunday afternoon now ride to church and devote the afternoon to hiking and even to golf. Then again, dancing has increased in popularity as walking has lost favor. In spite of the automobile, street car, taxi, truck, tractor, and elevator, there seems no immediate danger of human feet and legs understanding for the appendix in the evolution circus.

The Cooper dam bill, now under consideration by a committee of the Legislature seems to be causing the St. John press some uneasiness. No other Legislature in Canada, or on this continent in fact was ever called upon to deal with a scheme of such a nature and of such magnitude, therefore it is pretty difficult to find precedents to govern any particular line of action. It is safe to say, however, that the bill will never be given the sanction of Premier Baxter unless he is thoroughly satisfied that the interests of New Brunswick, particularly those of the County of Charlotte are thoroughly safeguarded.

When the women want their skirts lower, they'll be lower, but no edict from Paris will do it, b'gosh. In fact, it is our observation that for a season or two past Paris has been making a virtue of necessity. Each time after its several announcements that skirts would be lower, when it found no one paid any attention to the prediction, it kept right on making 'em shorter. It reminds us of the man who wouldn't come out from under the bed because he was "determined" to be boss of his own house."

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At a recent birthday celebration for Rosa Ponselle, the singer objected to the number of the candles on the birthday cake. "There are," she said, "thirty candles, while I am thirty-one." And yet there are those who claim the days of miracles are past.

A marvellous mechanical man who plays chess has been invented by a Spanish mathematician. The inventor is now waiting for the mechanical man to make his first move before announcing that the experiment is a complete success.

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Beauty doctors says it's interesting to take an inventory of your beauty stock, which seems to suggest he takes for granted that all of us are so blest, a doubtful assumption to say the least.

Skirts are to be worn longer this spring. It's just like women, as the weather gets warmer to put on more clothing.

Winter isn't as bad as we often imagine. About the time we get through with our income tax worries, Spring is here.

In all probability the reason some bachelors don't get into matrimony is because they observe the way of some married men trying to get out of it.

You can now get typewriters in all sorts of attractive colors besides blonde and brunette.

The Chinese never marry for better or for worse. Over there it is always for good.

English medium says spirits are a reddish-brown hue. Probably the blondes have their heaven on earth.

It is sometimes difficult to tell a woman's age, and, moreover, it isn't often healthy, at that.

One swallow won't make a summer, but two or three are sometimes enough to put spring into one's step.

One thing certain is that the present day hip line provides no outline.

HE PROVED THE OWNERSHIP OF STOLEN CHICKS

Chicago, March 27—Ypk Deveris, a Hollander, has demonstrated what affection will accomplish in raising chickens. He walked into the South Chicago Police Station to claim sixteen chickens recovered from two boys.

"Well," said the Sergeant, "we've got the chickens. They're back there in a cell asleep. The question is, how can you identify them?" "Oh," said Ypk, "that's easy. If they're my chickens, they'll talk to me."

The Sergeant opened the door and there were the broilers roosting all over the cell. Ypk stepped inside and spoke in Dutch. All the chickens leaped up, flapped their wings joyfully, leaping at Ypk and cackling with delight.

"Take them," said the Sergeant.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

When home-grown rhubarb 'gins to sing—then, if ever, it will be spring.

Billboards are disliked pretty generally notwithstanding they provide cheap reading.

Alas, they cannot make a mechanical man that will get up for us at 6 o'clock in the morning.

Ninety-seven billion cigarets were produced in the United States last year. Guess nobody had to walk a mile.

Because people are accustomed to them, two buttons on a man's coat sleeve are accepted as modest. Three would look like a parade.

Maybe the Kansas City woman who punished her daughter too severely is old-fashioned, but the coat hanger used was not mid-Victorian.

There is nothing quite so cheerful as a ray of morning sunlight playing on the wall of the sleeping chamber, provided the day is Sunday.

"Life's greatest glory rests in the fact there is no limit to which a human being may not aspire," says George Matthew Adams. He's right. But it is well to remember that aspiration and perspiration are kin.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. J. M. Woodman of St. John Divisional Superintendent of the C. P. R. is a visitor to the city today. J. S. C. MacAllister, of Toronto, is a guest of the Barker House today.

Robert C. Young, of Montreal, is registered at the Barker House this afternoon.

Mr. Otty J. Fraser of St. John, manager of the New Brunswick Telephone Company is in the city.

Col. W. H. Harrison, M. L. A., of St. John is a guest of the Barker House.

Col. A. J. Brooks, M. L. A., of Sussex is registered at the Barker House today.

M. E. Agar, M. L. A., of St. John is at the Barker House today.

T. L. McGovern of St. John is at the Barker.

H. M. Wood, M. L. A., of Sackville is at the Barker.

Guests at the Windsor. The following are registered at the Windsor today: G. F. S. Townsend, Halifax; L. W. Black, Amherst; A. Tabah, Montreal; B. E. Huestis, H. E. Belyea, St. John; Wm. Pearce, Halifax; G. Egan, Quebec; W. J. Fenton, H. K. Bamford, J. G. Hennessy, St. John; H. C. Tonks, Montreal; A. G. Golding, Truro; F. Ross, J. C. Earle, M. J. Buckley, St. John; Mr. and Mrs. H. McCarthy, Mr. and Mrs. G. Lawson, W. B. Evans, Minto; G. Stewart, Chatham; H. S. Estabrooks, St. John; G. W. Rose, Montreal; Chas. H. Noble, St. John Mrs. W. Wheaton, Toronto; Mary Brennan, Waterville, Me.; Lucy Ward, Oromocto; L. J. Violette, St. Leonards; B. H. Dougan, Harvey Station; M. A. Oulton, Shediac; J. Tobin, Ottawa; F. J. Lavoie, Rogersville; J. H. Farrell, W. Flowers, Moncton; A. M. Dann, Hampton; L. Nicholson, Town; J. W. Cosman, Moncton; H. O. Arthur, St. John; J. Andre Doucet, Paquetville; W. B. Ryan, Newcastle.

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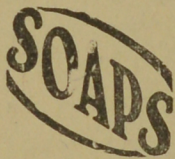
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