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FREE SCHOOL BOOKS

The announcement that the provincial government has made all school books free up to and including those used by eighth grade pupils will be well received throughout the province. It is a decided forward step and will be greatly appreciated by the parents of pupils, especially those possessed of large families who find the cost of providing school books a heavy tax. Frequent changes of school books under the policy adopted by the government can no longer be a cause for complaint. All will be glad to know that the change of policy decided upon last evening will date from the beginning of the present term and that those who have purchased books will be able to obtain a refund of the money. The sound financial position of the province, due to a prudent administration of its affairs by the government has made it possible to provide the school children with free school books.

THE POOR FISH

Once there was a "poor fish." Business called him out of town frequently and on such occasions "friend" wife found comfort and solace with her paramour, for the "poor fish" didn't know anything about it until the exposure and scandal came.

And another "poor fish", after getting himself elected to public office, refused to accept a few hundred dollars for his favorable vote upon a somewhat shady project just because he didn't believe it was the proper and honest thing to do.

And then there was the "poor fish" who refused to get "loaded up" on bootleg gin and take some perfectly nice girls for a wild midnight ride while the wife and kiddies at home worried about him working too hard and long at the office.

All these instances are from the recent news of the day. The world is filled with "poor fish." They seldom get their names into the paper, are seldom found in morgues rarely are they haled into court, never do they go to jail and it is part of their creed not to break up homes.

The "poor fish" is constantly breasting the strong currents of life. You don't find him swimming down stream and he is the most dependable of his species. Without him society would soon go to pot.

A peculiar situation has arisen in the County of Colchester in connection with the Nova Scotia provincial election. The two candidates nominated in the Liberal interest are former Conservatives while Mr. Flemming, the running mate of Mr. Frank Stanfield, late representative was formerly a Liberal. Messrs. Stanfield and Flemming look like easy winners.

Commander Byrd we understand has put his expedition on a "self-rescuing" basis, so that if he gets in trouble all he has to do is to send himself a message and he'll come and get himself out of it.

"It has been discovered that some life guards at New York beaches can't swim." Perhaps they think it more sporting to be on an even footing with a lot of the persons they are expected to save.

Gutzon Borglum says a poet handed him a big sheaf of manuscripts and then slipped away without revealing his identity. Quite likely the poet had a suspicion it was that kind of verse.

From the amount of fuss made over the word "obey" in the marriage ceremony one might be mistakenly

led to suppose that it means something.

"When a man treats his wife kindly" observes an exchange "she imagines he is concealing something" and if he's that sort of man she's probably right at that.

Chinese warrior leaves 28 wives for the battle front. He ought to rate a general with such a background.

You can usually identify the native at the resort. He gets change back when he hands the storekeeper a dollar.

It will be disillusioning if the talking movies of the beautiful star show the look of hauteur is due to adenoids.

The ultimate in realism in the talking pictures will be the squeak of a porch hammock in the wooing sequence.

If Rhode Island authorities find the thieves who got away with 30 tons of broken rock, they will be asked to break some.

Lettuce may be a narcotic, as that doctor says but it isn't there in sufficient quantities to dull our senses a full meal out of it.

The successful sheik is a one hundred per cent. go-get-her.

A man can live up to his promises but he has to live down his threats.

EXPLOSION OF T.N.T. CAUSES LOSS OF LIFE

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Shanghai, Sept. 21—Twenty Chinese were killed, thirty injured and scores of houses and shops wrecked by the explosion of two carloads of explosives in Nanking on Thursday. The explosion, caused by the dropping of a box of T. N. T., shook the entire city.

The wrecking of houses left several hundred homeless. Nationalists officials started relief measures.

MAURETANIA HAD FAST TRIP

New York, Sept. 20—The Cunard liner Mauretania, which docked to-night, claimed to have clipped 43 minutes from her own world's record for the Atlantic crossing from Cherbourg to New York. She completed the voyage to Ambrose Channel Light in 5 days 2 hours and 34 minutes, Captain McNeil, master of the ship, said. The previous record was 5 days 3 hours, 17 minutes.

Officers Elected

The thirteenth annual convention of the New Brunswick Provincial Board of the Retail Merchants' Association was completed yesterday afternoon in the City Hall with the election of officers for the coming year. The following officers were appointed: Honorary President, C. C. Hayward, St. John; President, C. R. Wasson, St. John; Treasurer, H. Mont Jones, St. John; Secretary Miss F. P. Alward, St. John. A meeting of the newly appointed executive met immediately after the election yesterday afternoon to complete arrangements for various programs for the coming year.

Children's Day

Today is Children's Day at the Fredericton Exhibition and all the schools in the city are having a half holiday in order to allow the children to enjoy a full afternoon at the Exhibition. Tickets are given free of charge to the children. The students of the High School also had a long session today to allow the afternoon holiday.

U. N. B. Opening.

A large number of U. N. B. students have already arrived in the city for the opening of the college on Monday next. A number of prospective students have arrived for the examinations which commenced today.

* THROUGH OUR SIEVE *

Add Dictionary: Normalecy, n. A political revolution in Spain.

Dogs that chase an electric rabbit the second time haven't good scents.

Man is from Missouri and the result of so much talk about bare legs is a second look.

Every progressive city has growing pains. They are distressingly acute at taxpaying time.

"Thas as has gets" somebody once said, and Will Rogers has won a prize of \$50 in an automobile contest.

Lima Beans says the most hopeless entangling alliance is when principle and prejudice become involved.

King Zogu of Albania is given a salute of 101 guns every day. If he counts the shots his hat is too small for his head.

E. W. Howe's Monthly: "Why should men approach women on bended knees?" Arthritis is one reason why they shouldn't.

One hundred and eighteen miles an hour is the greatest velocity that can be attained by a man falling out of an airplane. Anyone asking to fall faster than that would be unreasonable.

* PERSONAL MENTION *

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Ryan of Boiestown are here attending the exhibition.

Lieut. Col. and Mrs. A. J. Brooks of Sussex were visitors to the exhibition yesterday.

Mrs. George Burpee of Centerville, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned home this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Clowes Patterson are here from New Jersey to attend the exhibition.

Mr. J. M. Woodman of St. John divisional superintendent of the C. P. R. is here attending the exhibition and races.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Lynn of Kedgwick are here attending the exhibition and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Toner.

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter arrived from St. John last evening and registered at the Queen.

Messrs. E. J. Terry, president of the St. John Exhibition Association, and Mr. H. A. Porter, the General Manager, were visitors to the exhibition yesterday.

Newcastle Leader: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Quartermain, Miss Maude Quartermain are in Fredericton this week, attending the exhibition.

Newcastle Leader: Mrs. W. F. Copp and Mrs. C. C. Hubbard went to Fredericton Tuesday morning and are spending a few days there guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Ramsay. They will return home tonight.

On U. N. B. Staff.

Newcastle Leader: G. W. (Bill) Jones spent a few days of this week in town and left on Wednesday for Fredericton, where he will take over his new duties as Assistant Professor of Mathematics at the University of New Brunswick.

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