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A Daily Column In Which la Related Little-Known Deeds o The Heroic M n Who Built The British Empire

By H. M. PAINT

THE MEN OF DEVON

The debt owed by the British Empire to the men of Devon is imposside to overesumate. Whether in searching out of the northern route to A. change, for the Russian trade, seamen led the way.

"A randy-dandy dandy-o A whet of ale and brandy-o With a rumbelow, and away we go Across the Spanish Main-o"

So ran the Devon sailor's chanty, heard in every port of the New World where they come to trade or fight, as the case might be. And perhaps there has never been a greater company of commanders since the sea grew salt, than the Devon men, who won Britain her share of world trade, in the days of Queen Elizabeth-the Virgin Queen.

Drake, Hawkins, Davis, Probisher, Gilbert. Willoughby Howard Caven-dish—the list could go on indefinite-

What tales could have been told CHANGES ARE by those gallant commanders-and no doubt were—as they drank their ANOUNCE mulled sack, Canary wine, or brown October ale and yarned as sailors will.

from the Isle of Marguerita shining the end of January. milk white against a horny, brown palm,-a walrus tusk, curiously carvblade with jeweled hilt, whose owner's bones lay fathoms deep, more white even than the branching coral in the clear lagoon, that had been his supulchre.

How the conversation must have un riot as the wine loosened tonpanish sweethearts-and Indian the company's business. naidens too-of ambuscado, esoa ade and boarding-party - and f missing comrades! We can imgine the sulphurous oaths more fervent than prayers, as they voued vengeance on the Dons-for a comrade taken prisoner, turned over to the Inquisition, and burned in an Auto-da-fe at Lima-for another reaxed to the secular arm and sentenced to a living death at the oar in the Spanish galleys-for another, hung as a pirate and Englishman.

How the talk would run on of landngs on the pebbled beaches, of sudcowns of success and rich booty in the main-but sometimes of unexpected reserves and wild retreats harrassed by the Spanish Arquebassiers, and Indian poisoned arrowsof wild rallies on boulder strewn beaches as the Spanish cavalry sought to cut them off from their loats and winning clear at last, with dead men hanging over the gunnels and wounded men awash in the half wamped boats, while two or three survivors worked the craft out of range of musket shot.

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Dividend payments declared on 1938 total of \$19,059,938.

from the list in July, 1938, and pay- the general economic recession. ments for the balance remained un-

O. P. Stensrud, at present assistant Joons or pieces-of-eigh —a Toledo eral manager of steel sales, and T. and that such statements must be ager of coal sales.

Mr. Stensrud and Mr. McLanders D,, 1939. have been connected with the organization over a term of years, filling several important positions and Assessor's Office, City Hall, rues, and the talk ran high-of have acquired a wide knowledge of

NEWSPRINT **PRODUCTION** DECLINE 28 P.C.

LONDON, January 18-Newsprint stocks traded on the Montreal Stock production in Canada last year show-Exchange and the Montreal Curb ed a decline of nearly 28 per cent. Market totalled \$14,940,147 for the from the high level of the first eleven month of January, representing a months of 1937. Mill and publishers' drop of \$4,119,791 from the January stocks were reduced during the year, and the industry has recently ex-During January payments are to panded operations in response to rebe made on 96 issues, compared vived demand. The manufacture of with disbursements on 104 issues in wood-pulp has recorded a marked traveiling to the East, or seeking January of 1938. One initial distri- expansion in the last twenty years. the riches of the New World, Devon bution took place this month; pay- Canadian mills are favourably situments were resumed on two issues; ated to supply the rayon and staple and in six instances the disburse- fibre in industries producing artificial ments for January were higher than silk and textile mixtures of rayon. for the same month a year ago. Divi- cotton, real silk and wool. The world dends were reduced in seven cases manufacture of rayon yarn doubled while in ten instances companies between 1932 and 1937, resulting in which made distributions a year ago an increased demand for Canadian have so far failed to make corres- wood-pulp. The wood-pulp industry ponding declarations for January of however, showed reaction in 1938 due this year. One stock was removed to the war activities of Japan and

> "I do not think that 1929 necessarily represents the pinnacle of American business".

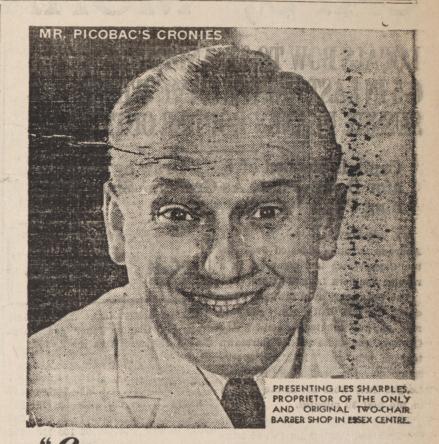
-Roger W. Babson

Notice of Assessment

The Board of Assessors of Taxes for the City of Fredericton hereby require all persons liable to be rated for the year 1939 furthwith to furnish to How the talk must have ranged MONTREAL, January 18-Domi- the assessors true statements of all from polar bears and ice floes, to nion Steel & Coal Corporation Limi- their personal estate and income, tropic isles-and Indian maids! How ted has announced that A. M. Irvine, which is ass ssable under the City of souvenirs passed back and forth from vice president in charge of coal sales Fredericton Assessment Act, 1926, and hand to hand! A handful of pearls is retiring from the corporation at true statements of wages or salaries notice that blank forms on which such stat ments may be furnished may be obtained at the office of the to vice-president, is appointed gen- Charman of the Board of Assessors, S. McLanders, superintendent of perfected under oath and filed in said terminals, is appointed general man- offic on or before the 15th day of February, 1939.

Dated this 14th day of January A.

PETER FARRELL. Chairman of the Poard of Assessors of Taxes. Fredericton. N. B.



Listen, Mr. Picobac.



HANDY SEAL-TIGHT POUCH 15c

Razor in hand, Les Sharples, proud proprietor of the original two-chair barber shop of Essex Centre, parted and declared, "Nobody trusts a mugwump. You never know which side of the fence he is on."

"I'm not talking about mugwumps," replied Mr. Picobac brushing the blue smoke aside, "I'm talking about keeping an open mind. An M.P. should vote and smoke as his conscience guides."

"You always smoke the same kind of tobacco, I notice," continued Les.

"You bet I do," rejoined the Burley philosopher. "I smoke Picobac, the pick of Canada's Burley Crop, grown in Sunny Southern Ontario. I like a mild . . . cool . . . sweet smoke. The more I smoke it, the better I like it. But I'm open-minded. You show me anything better and I'll try it; but you can't do it."





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