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CANADA--IT IS BOTH BRITISH AND A DOMINION

Interesting Talk to Visiting Students and Others by Mr. Wm. Houston, M. A.--Lecture Under Auspices of International Interchange of Students.

"How Canada came to be British and how it came to be the Dominion of Canada" was the subject of an hours extemporaneous talk by W. Houston, M. A. a member of the Senate of the University yesterday forenoon to the half dozen English students who are at present "doing" Canada and the United States under the auspices of the organization known as "The International Interchange of students." These students are a group out of a larger contingent, thirty to forty in all, many of whom have already passed westward individually, while others are to follow. The organizer of the "Interchange" Mr. Henry W. Cress, was himself present and on behalf of himself and the others he conveyed to the lecturer cordial thanks for his illuminating account of the territorial and institutional evolution of the Dominion of Canada.

the river St. Lawrence, Hudson Bay and the Pacific Ocean. These developed separately prior to 1867. Between 1867 and 1872 they were consolidated into the present Dominion. The "Maritime Provinces"—Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island—were all included in the former Province of Acadia, the French Acadia whose shores were washed by the Gulf St. Lawrence. The Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, formerly Lower and Upper Canada are parts of the old French Province of Quebec, and of the British Province of the same name as defined by the Quebec act of 1774. Hudson Bay Territory included all the region drained by the rivers running into Hudson Bay, and extended from the Lake of the Woods to the Rocky Mountains; it now includes besides some unorganized territory the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. British Columbia occupies the whole of the Pacific slope that is British. The Hudson Bay territory was purchased by the Dominion of Canada, and three Provinces were established by the Dominion Parliament; all the others including British Columbia, were annexed with their existing organizations. Mr. Houston in this connection paid a tribute of appreciation to Lord Strathcona whose connection with the Hudson Bay Company of which he is Chairman, has lasted continuously for seventy years.

Mr. Houston's talk was formal, but strictly systematic. With the aid of a map of the Dominion and a table of dates of leading events in historical sequence he made clear the physical and political condition that have given solidarity to the Dominion of Canada, and are likely to make it endure indefinitely. By implication, though not explicitly the idea was conveyed that the territorial aggregation of the fragments of British North America into an advantageously situated and sociological organized State took place in harmony with and not in contravention of natural and moral forces and that the political evolution of this aggregation is likely to go on without developing any centrifugal force powerful enough to shatter it into its original or any other fragments.

Starting it with a brief account of the political boundaries and Federal constitution of the Dominion, Mr. Houston called attention to its division into four great water systems—namely of the Gulf of St. Lawrence,

DEATH IS CRUEL IN THE WILDERNESS

The game is ever on the alert against the lion, this greatest of foes and every herd, almost every individual, is in imminent and deadly peril every day or night, and of course suffers in addition from countless false alarms. But no sooner is the danger over than the animals resume their feeding, or love making, or their fighting among themselves. Two bucks will do battle the minute the herd has stopped running from the foe that has seized one of their number, and a buck resumes his love making with ardor, in the brief interval between the first and the second alarm, from hunter or lion. Zebra will make much noise when one of their number has been killed; but their fright has vanished when once they begin their barking calls.

Death by violence, death by cold, death by starvation—these are the normal endings of the stately and beautiful creatures of the wilderness. The sentimentalists who prattle about the peaceful life of nature do not realize its utter mercilessness; although all they would have to do would be to look at the birds in the winter woods, or even at the insects on a cold morning or cold evening. Life is hard and cruel for all the lower creatures, and for man also in what the sentimentalists call a "state of nature." The savage of today shows us what the fabled age of gold of our ancestors was really like; it was an age when hunger, cold violence and iron cruelty were the ordinary accompaniments of life. If Matthew Arnold, when he expressed the wish to know the thoughts of Earth's "vigorous, primitive" tribes of the past, had really desired an answer to his question, he would have done well to visit the homes of the existing representatives of his "vigorous, primitive" ancestors, and to watch them feasting on blood and guts; while as for the "pellucid and pure" feelings of his imaginary primitive maidens, they were those of any meek, cow-like creatures who accepted marriage by purchase or of convenience, as a matter of course.

From "African Game Trails," by Theodore Roosevelt, in Scribner's Magazine.

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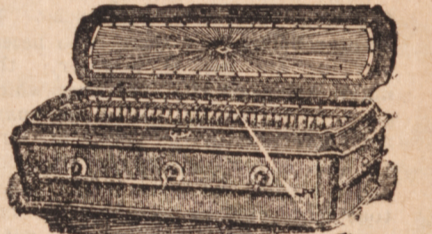
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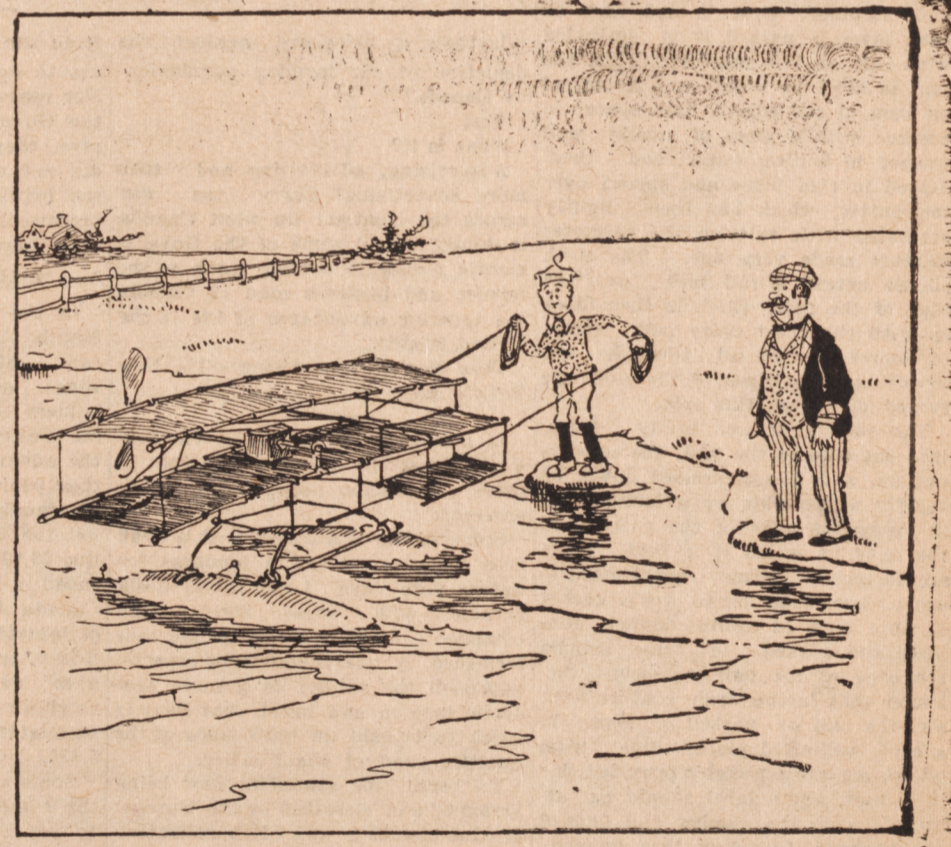
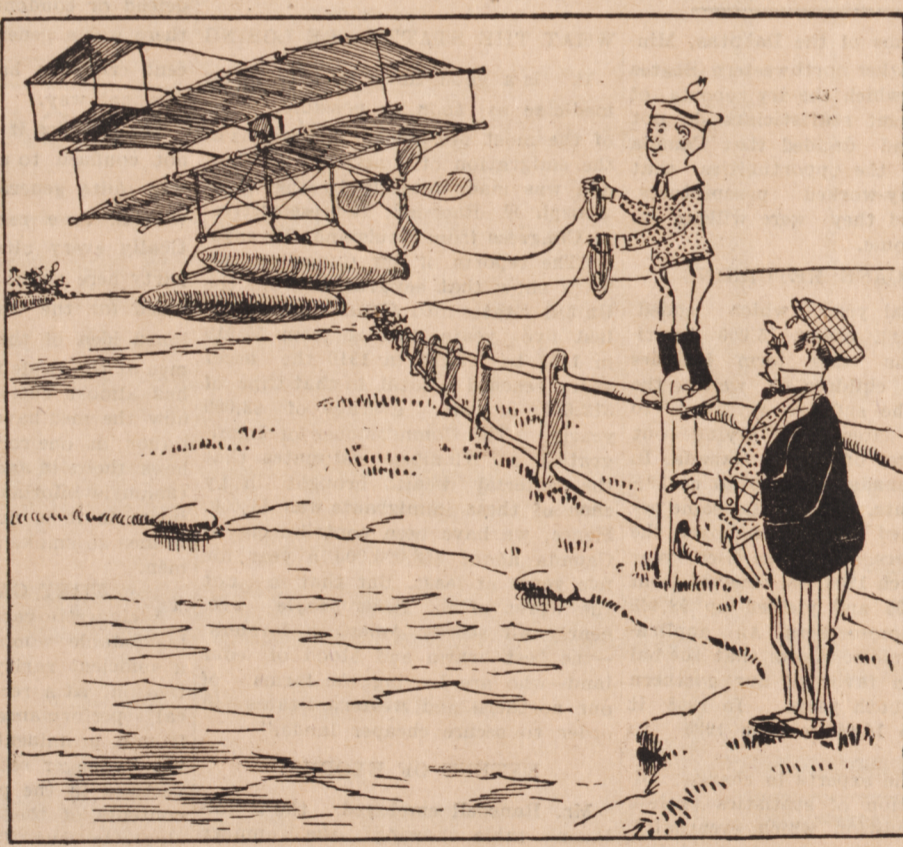
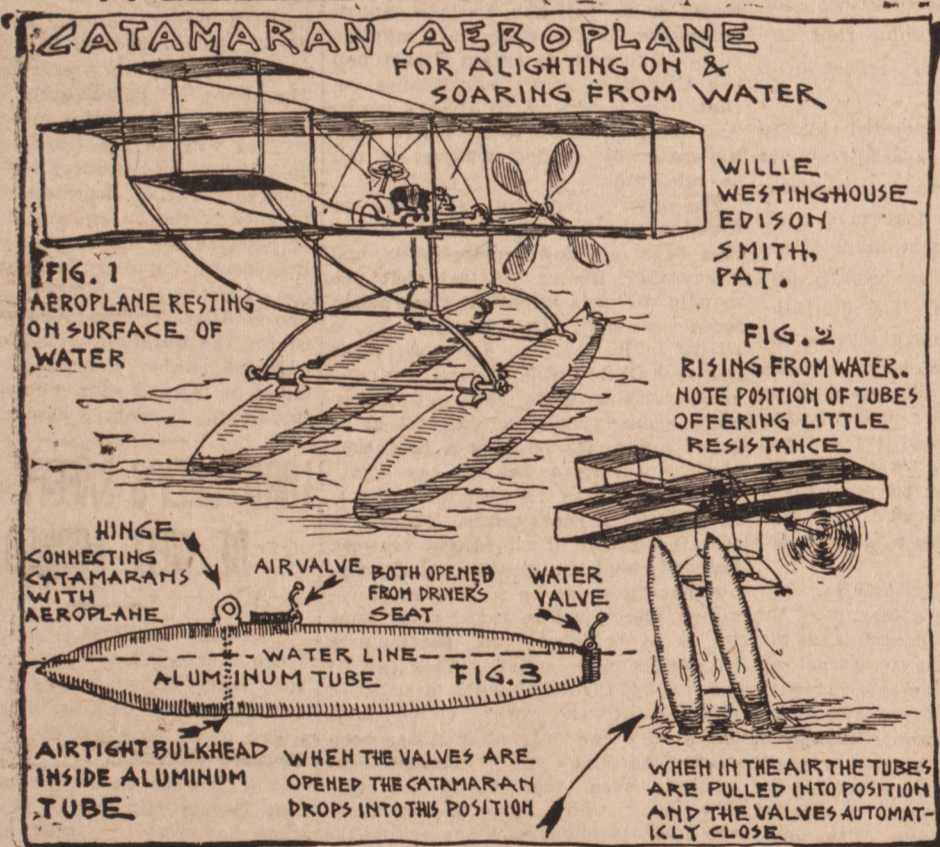
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Yours, etc.,

WILLIE.

