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A NOTABLE ADDRESS

While great progress has been made in some directions in the province of New Brunswick, its agricultural population has stood still for the last thirty years. This statement, made by Dr. James W. Robertson, at Fredericton yesterday, may be coupled with another in which Dr. Robertson said that he, personally, would rather make his home in New Brunswick than in the west. Why is it that the agricultural population of the province has not appreciably increased in thirty years? People have been leaving the land to go to the cities or to the west, and others have not taken their places. Dr. Robertson offers a remedy. If the west beguiles young people, change the system of education. Give them information and demonstrate to them the possibilities of New Brunswick. In this connection he points out that by the simple process of spraying to prevent damage from insects and blight the potato yield can be increased 40 to 110 per cent. In Quebec by a process of seed selection an average increase of 28 per cent. in the yield of oats was obtained, and 27 per cent. in spring wheat. In nine years work the yield of wheat was increased 13 bushels to the acre; oats, 18.9 bushels; and barley 23 bushels, without any expenditure except of intelligence. The figures applied to New Brunswick would increase the crop value $535,000.

Dr. Robertson advises that illustration plots be placed here and there through the province, merely to demonstrate seed selection, spraying and crop rotation. These would be an object lesson to the farmers round about. Poultry raising should be illustrated in like manner, as well as fruit growing. The province is especially well adopted to sheep husbandry and to dairying.

As an encouraging fact Dr. Robertson points out that thirty years ago Denmark was the poorest nation in Europe, and is today, in proportion to area and population, the wealthiest. The change was wrought by education and enterprise along agricultural lines. New Brunswick is far larger and more wealthy in natural fertility, and should be able to do what Denmark has done.

With regard to the right kind of education, Dr. Robertson insists that the children should be taught to do things, by teachers specially trained. With regard to legislation affecting agriculture, he believes encouragement is better than any effort to force people to do things. He would encourage men to establish illustration farms, encourage good schools and school gardens, and in every way ask the people to make the most of their own province. He hoped to see in New Brunswick a school or college for agriculture, with a department for household science and opportunities for manual training throughout. This, with the illustration farms, school gardens and other educative agencies would ensure a prosperous and contented rural population which is the best of all national assets.

Judging from the summary of Dr. Robertson's address, it would be an excellent beginning of an educative campaign for the government to have printed copies of a full report of the address scattered throughout the farming commounity of the province, through the medium of the agricultural societies and in other ways. A movement for betterment should be begun by arousing general enthusiasm and securing general co-operation, and Dr. Robertson's address is so suggestive and so optimistic in tone that it should, coming from one of his special knowledge and experience, have great influence—especially when backed by the assurance of the government that everything possible would be done to encourage a spirit of progressive enterprise in agricultural development.

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

The acquittal of Gray by a Carleton county jury on Wednesday recalls the proceedings in a court in that county quite a number of years ago. It is related by one familiar with the case that several persons proved guilty of grave offences had been acquitted by the jury, but one unfortunate, who had no friends, was found guilty of theft. When this prisoner was brought in for sentence the judge proceeded in an ironical vein to lecture him. He pointed out that before committing a crime the prisoner should have connected himself with some powerful organization, or secured a social or political 'pull," or should have committed a crime of sufficient gravity to arouse the admiration of a jury and the sympathy of the ladies. That he had failed to do so was regarded by his honor as evidence of a weak-mind. Indeed this was also evident from the fact that he had been found guilty. Taking into account this fact, the judge continued, it would not be right to inflict a severe penalty, but he should be given an opportunity to redeem himself by committing a crime that would be serious enough to warrant an honorable acquittal at the hands of a Carleton county jury. His honor therefore sentenced this man to a day or two in jail, and adjourned the ccurt.

It is stated that in proportion to population the cost of criminal cases in Carleton county is greater than in most other counties in the province. The reason is not far to seek. There would be less crime if it were known that punishment would follow.

PLAYGROUNDS

The visit of Mrs. Humphrey Ward to Montreal and Toronto has increased public interest in the subject of supervised playgrounds for children. Mrs. Ward was not the pioneer in this work, which was first taken up on this side of the ocean, but she has been the leader in the development of these playgrounds in London. In a report of an address which she delivered before the Round Table Club of Toronto a few days ago the Toronto World Says:

"Mrs. Ward's view, after earnest study of playgrounds was that an unsupervised playground was worse than the condition of having no playground at all, the children failing to obtain the benefit from their pastimes when not well organized. The inferiority of such playgrounds was strikingly manifested in New York, where the novelist had seen a supervised and unsupervised playground side by side. Mrs. Ward devoted much attention to the work of the Passmore-Edwards settlement in London, England. The schools in the district were attended by children of indigent parents, and it was desirable to keep them as much as possible away from the home life with its debasing influences. Accordingly manual training classes were formed and from 4,30 p. m., the hour of school dismissal, until 8 p. m., the pupils were given instructions in wholesome and interesting pursuits. The children were very anxious to become members of these classes, and as the privilege of joining them depended upon proficiency in school work a wholesome impetus was given to their studies."

There is of course no comparison between a London slum and the streets of St. John, and yet an English visitor has said of us: "You have the beginning of well defined slums in one or two streets of your city."

We have at all events need of supervised playgrounds for the children, and the present summer should witness further general interest in a work so well begun two years ago.

It is admitted that moose have been slaughtered in large numbers in Restigouche county in the close season. The man who kills a moose out of season aids in the destruction of a valuable provincial asset. Common sense, without legal enactment, ought to be enough to protect our big game resources.

The corporations committee acted wisely in refusing to agree at this session to the damming of the Tobique Narrows. More information is needed, and it must be of a very convincing nature to overcome the reasonable objections raised by various important interests yesterday,

If Mr. Bourassa decides to oppose Premier Gouin in the St. James division of Montreal the fight will be the hottest of the campaign.

The Sun says the opposition at Ottawa is cooling down. But the Sun is still "het up."

A CARGO OF SWEET-TONED CHIMES FOR YARMOUTH

(Boston Journal, May 21.)

There will be more than eight bells aboard the Dominion-Atlantic liner Boston when she sails from Long wharf for Yarmouth, N. S., to-morrow afternoon. There will be eleven of them, in fact—a complete set of chimes consigned to the Holy Trinity Church of Yarmouth, the gift of Charles T. Granthan in memory of his father, mother and uncle.

The largest bell weighs 1,200 pounds and the smallest is 18 inches in diameter. The weight all told will be 19,000 pounds.

The bells were cast at West Troy and reached here yesterday. The Boston will arrive this morning from Yarmouth and the chimes will be placed on board as soon as the steamer's inward cargo is discharged.

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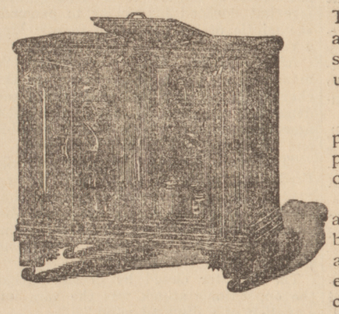
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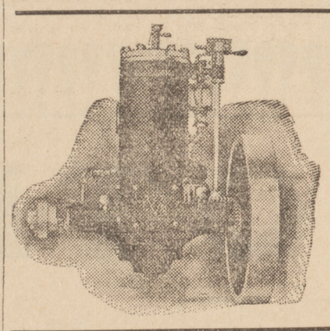
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THE KINGS

Tho' the Earth swallow all that stands;
"Lo! we are kings of the earth,"
Men cry; and hurry to build
Cities that soon are fill'd
With treasures wrung from the earth.
Yea, we are kings! And the Earth
Laughs and opens her deep
And cities rock in their sleep,
And down to the bottomless sweep.

Lo! We are kings of the sea!
With bridges and boats we span
The breadth of the ocean,
The pow'r and the pomp of the sea.
Yea, we are kings! And the sea
Tumbles tumultuous waves
Over the ships that are graves,
Batters the boasting of man.

Tho' the Earth swallow all that stands;
Tho' the sea make nothing our pride;
There are three things still that abide,
In which remaineth our might.
A mother's bosom; the light
In the eyes of love; and the hands
Lifted to God in the night!

—Pall Mall Gazette.

IN LGHTER VEIN

BAD GIN.

Mrs. Podunk—I dew think it's outrageous to send our fleets over to Japan.

Mr. Podunk—Oh, pshaw, ma, it's just on a friendly visit. Why is it outrageous?

Mrs. Podunk—Why, them sailors will be full on them Japanese jinrikishas the hull time.—Judge.

WILFULLY CARELESS.

Mr. Highmore—"I don't care to be seen with that Lumpkins. There is a stain on his escutcheon."

Mr. Pneuritch—"That's so; he's devilish slovenly. He could step into any cleaner's, you know, and—er—have it scoured off."

PROMPTNESS.

In his day Herr Lauterstein had been a busy instructor of music students; promptness and economy were two of his watchwords. Now that he had grown old and taught but sparingly, his habit of speech often caused a smile.

"What time shall I come for my lesson tomorrow?" asked one of his few pupils.

"You come ven you get reatty," said the music master, "but be brompt, so as not to waste my time nor your own. Understand!"—Youth's Companion.

HIS KICK.

"Say, there's a mistake in this bill you sent me the other day."

"What's wrong with it? Is it too big?"

"No, but——"

"Any mistake in the figures?"

"No; it's not that. It's——"

"Don't you think that the bill has been running long enough?"

"I reckon so, but——"

"Then what are you kicking about?"

"That's what I am trying to tell you. There's a mistake in the name. You sent it to the wrong man, confound you! I don't owe you a cent, and never did!"

"Oh!"

POETRY AND SCIENCE.

In commenting on the fact that a person may be thoroughly equipped on the scientific side of music without being sensitive to its beauty as an art, Gustav Kobbe, in his recent book, "How to Appreciate Music," quotes the witty distinction which Edmund Clarence Stedman draws in his "Nature and Elements of Poetry" between the indications of a storm as described by a poet and by the official prognostications of the Weather Bureau.

Mr. Stedman gives two stanzas:

When descends on the Atlantic the gigantic
Storm-wind of the Equinox,
Landward in his wrath he scourges the toiling surges,
Laden with seaweed from the rocks.

And this stanza from a later balladist:

The East Wind gathered, all unknown,
A thick sea cloud his course before;
He left by night the frozen zone,
And smote the cliffs of Labrador.
He lashed the coasts on either hand,
And betwixt the Cape and Newfoundland,
Into the bays his armies pour.

All this impersonation and fancy is translated by the Weather Bureau into something like this:

"An area of extreme low pressure is rapidly moving up the Atlantic Coast, with wind and rain. Storm centre now off Charleston, S. C. Wind N. E.; velocity, 54; barometer, 29.6. The disturbance will reach New York on Wednesday and proceed eastward to the Banks and Bay of St. Lawrence. Danger signals ordered for all North Atlantic ports."—Youth's Companion.

MARINE NOTES

Battle line stmr. Albuera, Captain Lockhart, arrived at Rotterdam May 18 from Huelva.

Canadian schr. Ronald, Captain Wagner, arrived at Philadelphia last Wednesday from Trinidad.

THE COST OF NEWS PAPER.

Washington, D. C., May 21.—The eastern manufacturers of news print paper today concluded the presentation of their side of the controversy before the special house committee investigating the wood pulp and print paper question and tomorrow a number of western manufacturers will be heard.

The committee will endeavour to finish the taking of evidence tomorrow.

The testimony presented today was in line with what has been given for the past several days—increase in cost of making paper and a falling off in demand for the product. The Cliff Paper Company, of Niagara Falls, presented figures to show that for certain periods during the past nine years its mills were run at a loss.

The publishers are inclined to make much of the statements of the International Paper Company, showing that it is selling approximately 300 tons of paper per day for $1.88 per hundred pounds to the Hearst publications of New York, Boston and Chicago on a ten year contract beginning in 1904 and also of the statement that within the last week the Philadelphia Press has made a contract for a year at the rate of $2.25 per 100 pounds.

VALUABLE STOCK FOUND.

Providence, R. I., May 21.—A package containing 12,000 shares of Bay State Gas Company stock was picked up on the street near the New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. station tonight. George Leando, a lunch room employe, found the package.

The Providence police had previously been notified of the theft of a valise containing securities from a man in the south station at Boston on Wednesday. It is supposed here that Leando's find may be part of the contents of the stolen bag. The Boston police have been informed of the matter.

THE FLEET ON THE PACIFIC.

Bellingham, Washington, May 21.—Seven vessels of the Atlantic battleship fleet rest tonight in the harbor of Bellingham Bay after the voyage from San Francisco. The fleet was officially welcomed here by the municipal authorities and officers, and shore leave men tonight are being entertained by the people of Bellingham.

RUEF JURY DISAGREES.

San Francisco, Cal., May 21.—After being out for nearly 44 hours, the jury in the trial of Abraham Ruef, central figure in the bribery graft prosecution, against whom many indictments were returned, failed to agree on a verdict and was discharged this evening by Judge Dooling.

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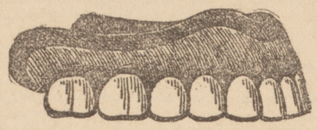
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