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THE C. P. R. AND ST. JOHN

The proposed transfer of property between the city, the C. P. R. and the government on the west side should be made. The only objection to it is based on the theory that the C. P. R. will pursue a dog-in-the-manger policy and try to shut other railway companies out from the use of this port. This theory is not well founded. It can not be denied that the C. P. R. as a business corporation will secure every possible advantage. It has done so in the past, and will do so again. But St. John today is confronted by a situation which calls for prompt action, and a due regard for the future of the port. Practically all of the winter port business that St. John has secured it owes to the C. P. R. The Grand Trunk Pacific will have its terminals at Courtenay Bay. The Canadian Northern, if it comes this way, will not desire terminals on the west side. The C. P. R. is not at all likely to have a rival in that quarter, but, if it should, Ald. Frink has shown that the railway commission has power to make terms. In viewing this whole matter, we must, as Ald. Baxter says, look to the future, but not in the light in which he regards that future. St. John is the port of the Canadian Pacific. As years pass the volume of its business must increase enormously. The time is coming when it will need all the space it asks for on the west side to accommodate the business it will bring to St. John. Canada is growing rapidly. We have been told over and over again that the time will come when St. John will not be able to handle all the business that will originate in the great west, and that other ports must eventually be developed. The statement cannot be doubted. The enormous areas of western Canada, when developed, will provide an immense traffic. The Canadian Pacific is the pioneer railway with branches and feeders all through the west. St. John is its port. Viewing the present situation from the standpoint of thirty or forty years hence, it is at once apparent that the company will require enormously increased facilities on the west side. No other line is seeking access to the west side. The government stands ready to develop the necessary harbor facilities. The minister of public works declares that he does not share in the slightest degree the suspicion with which some of the aldermen regard the professions of the railway company. Nobody pretends to believe that the C. P. R. is a benevolent institution, or that it will depart from business methods, but it is business for the company to stand by St. John; and the larger the stake it has in the port the more business it will be likely to bring this way. Therefore the city council, being assured of the support of the government of Canada, may fairly make the proposed transfer and let the work proceed.

THE PLAYGROUNDS

The school board has reversed its former decision to take over the supervised playgorunds. The reasons alleged are that the expense would be too great at present, that all sections of the city would want a share of the expenditure, which in the aggregate could not be very large, and that the officials should not be overtaxed in the hot season with the labor that would be involved in playground supervision.

The board is only postponing what it must eventually do, and is throwing back upon the Women's Council a work that ought to be performed by the board and its officials. Ald. Baxter has sharply criticised the board for negligence in one direction, and it has now laid itself open to criticism in another. The plea that the officials of the board should not be overburdened during the hot season, if it is really put forward, can only be received by the public with derision. However, thre is nothing for it but for the Women's Council to make such arrangements as they may for carrying on the work another season. They will have the sympathy of the citizens, which it may be hoped will take practical form. It was assumed when the board announced its intention of taking up the work that the playgrounds committee of the Women's Council would be free to take up the larger plan of the proposed public playground at the entrance to Rockwood Park. They can still promote this scheme and carry on the supervised playgrounds as usual, with, no doubt, the hearty co-operation of the school board.

WARNING TO BOYS

On the subject of over-exertion in athletic contest the Montreal Witness makes some observations worthy of the attention of the youth of the country. We quote:—

"Five of the most eminent medical specialists in Great Britain have declared that long-distance racing is unsuitable for growing boys under nineteen. This may cause a shock to some parents and school masters, but will hardly surprise those who have observed the effects of over-exertion in this as in other 'sports.' Reasonable physical exertion is beneficial to old and young, but excess is terribly mischievous and often fatal. Athletes are comparatively shortlived. Sir Lauder Brunton, one of the five medical specialists who have signed a declaration against long-distance running for growing boys, says that much harm to many young men can be traced to over-exertion in school athletics. Over-exertion may cause muscles to become smaller and may make them liable to spasm and pain; over-exertion strains and weakens the heart, lessens the mental power, destroys the appetite, and renders the individual more ready to succumb to the attacks of disease. So say those high authorities, and such must have been the observation of any who have lived long enough to follow the history of the most ardent devotees of sport."

President-elect Taft has given the New York American the following appreciation of President Roosevelt:—"It is difficult for one with the depth of affection that I feel for Theodore Roosevelt to give a judicial estimate of the man, but I verily believe that when the historian twenty-five or fifty years hence shall describe his administration and the influence that he has exerted as the chief magistrate of the country, he will accord to him a place with Washington and Lincoln, and that he will treat him as we are now prone to regard Washington and Lincoln, as providentially raised up to meet an exigency in the country's history that was only less important than the revolution and the civil war."

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The meeting of the New Brunswick Moral and Social Reform Council, to be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Wednesday afternoon of next week, will consider the question of temperance legislation as it relates to this province, in view of the reply of the government to the appeal for prohibition. United action is desirable, along whatever lines the council may decide to move.

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The board of trade has found it necessary to criticise the course of the city council in various matters of late. How would it do for the board to get busy and see to it that there is a city council more to its liking?

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Ex-Ald. MacRae insists that the money received by the city when the harbor goes into commission should be used to extinguish the debt. Mayor Bullock replies that the city's interests will be fully safeguarded. Put it in the bond.

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The board of trade favors the transfer of the inshore lots on the west side to the C. P. R. It may be hoped that this fact will not be regarded by the city council as another reason for opposing it.

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Mr. Henri Bourassa sits on the opposition side in the Quebec legislature. He is not a Conservative, but he will give his Conservative friends some entertainment.

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Enquiries by the board of trade have brought out the fact that the majority of the patrons of the I. C. R. do not desire any change in the management.

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The defeat of Mr. Gibson Bowles in the central division of Glasgow by over two thousand majority is a distinct victory for the traiff reformers in Great Britain.

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The local heresy hunt is over. It did not assume serious dimensions. Modern problems are more pressing than ancient disputations.

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The work of organising the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis should now be taken up vigorously in the various counties.

ENJOYABLE LECTURE

At the monthly meeting of the Natural History Society last evening a number of donations were presented, including a chart of native birds and a volume of the Educational Review from Dr. G. U. Hay, a large hornet's nest from Miss Merritt, and a cross-bill from Howard McAdam.

Some members were added to the society—Dr. W. P. Bonnell, Mrs. W. H. Tuck and Miss B. N. Boyer.

Dr. G. U. Hay was the lecturer of the evening and gave an excellent address on Early Spring Wild Flowers of England and Eastern Canada.

Rowland R. Crocker

Newcastle, N. B., March 2.—(Special)—Robinson Rowland Crocker, of Millerton, died there this morning at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. N. Betts, aged fifty-two. Deceased was unmarried, and a son of the late Rowland Crocker. He leaves, besides his sister, three brothers, Timothy W., of Newcastle; James and Christopher, of Millerton.

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I don't know where it started,
But I think it's time for me
To rise up and kill a rumor
That is gaining currency.
A rumor that is spreading,
Everywhere you'll hear it told.
The babe's not interesting
Until it's five months old.

Some bachelor, I'll warrant,
Was the author of that tale,
Some crusty, gay old rounder
Who should serve a term in jail
For a slander so malicious—
Or be judged a common scold—
What? A babe uninteresting
Until it's five months old.

Why, its first "a-lah" is thrilling
To the daddy's waiting ear,
And its feeble cry is music
That is mighty sweet and clear;
There is sunshine fairly dancing
In those little eyes of blue,
And a charm that is entrancing
Seems to grip right hold of you.

Then note a smile and wonder,
If she's waiting for a frolic,
But the nurse corrects your blunder
And explains that it is the colic.
Then you feed her catnip, maybe,
While a lilting song you croon,
Then you marvel as your baby
Drinks so nicely from a spoon.

As the days go by, you're noting
Something different; something new;
Something quaint to set you doting
That you thought she couldn't do.
Perhaps when you are nearing
She will turn her head to see,
And you'll say, in manner cheering,
"Ah, she recognizes me!"

Where a babe is, every minute
There is always something doing;
And I wan't to be right in it,
If it's just to hear her cooing.
So I raise my voice in protest,
I deny what oft we're told,
That a babe's uninteresting
Until it's five months old.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

THE MEAN THING.

Belle—Dick says I grow prettier every time he sees me.

Estelle—You should get him to call more often.—Illustrated Bits.

IF PAPA HAD HEARD IT

A six-year-old was seated in a barber's chair. "Well, my little man, how would you like your hair cut?"

"Oh, just like papa's with a little round hole at the top."—Scottish American.

WO-MANLY.

Beacon—Does your wife object to smoking?

Hill—Well, if she does, she is man enough not to say so.

A KIND DEED.

Muser—Why did you turn down my verses?

Heartless—So no more would turn up.

HINTS OF THE SEASON

Don't think the maiden all forlorn
Is wishing she had ne'er been born;
Don't think she's lost her lover true
Because she seems a trifle blue,
It's Lent.

Don't think because you've spent your pay
That you can touch me hard today.
Oh, yes; I got my salary
Last night, but here's the point; you see
It's Lent.

NOTHING TO SCRATCH FOR

Teacher—And what do you suppose all the animals did during those forty days in the ark?

"Smarty" Williams—They jest loafed around an' scratched themselves.

"Sandy" Toole (distainfully)—Chuck it, Smarty! What'd they scratch for when there was only two fleas?—The Bohemian.

AN HONEST MAN.

Diogenes, lantern in hand, entered the village drug store. "Say, have you anything that will cure a cold?" he asked.

"No, sir, I have not," answered the pill-compiler.

"Give me your hand," exclaimed Diogenes dropping his lantern. "I have at last found an honest man."—Christian Advocate.

SERIOUS.

A man's wife never thinks his illness is serious until he quits using language that wouldn't look well in print.—Chicago News.

A LOGICAL RESULT.

"Where are you going, my pretty maide?"
"I'm going milking, sir," she saide.

"Then I want to marry you, my pretty maide?
For I own the waterworks here," he saide.

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Have lived ever since on the milky whey.
—Lippincott's Magazine.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

New Brunswick

A farmers' co-operative grist mill with a capital of $12,000 is being promoted at Shediac and will apply for the bonus under the provincial act, passed under the preceding government. The Poirier grist mill, which originally had the bonus at Shediac, it will be remembered, was destroyed by fire some three years ago. The propsed mill will be up-to-date in every respect as a grist mill.

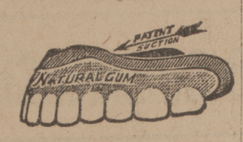
Hon. George E. Foster has been agreed upon as one of the judges for the intercollegiate debate in Fredericton on March 25, between Mount A. and U. N. B., but it is not announced yet as to whether he will accept.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Magee of Port Elgin, left on Monday for a trip to New York and other cities of the United States. Miss M. J. Anderson, of Port Elgin, is in St. John to attend the millinery openings.

Nova Scotia

Philip L. Bourque, of Minudie, has a unique stock, probably the only one of its kind in the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Bourque has engaged in the raising of foxes, making a specialty of silver greys and black foxes. He has now seven or eight of these valuable fur-bearing animals, whose pelts are worth over one thousand dollars each, and he is expecting more in the early spring. The experiment that Mr. Bourque is trying will be watched with great interest.

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A Physician and a Nurse Are the Official Examiners — Something St. John People Should Think About and Take to Heart

(Detroit New Tribune.)

"Pediculosis, said the nurse calmly as she sent one little chap on his way and turned to the next one. Only the uninitiated reporter who watched the daily morning clinic at the Bishop school was in the dark as to the nature of this formidable sounding disease. Later he was enlightened to the extent of learning that it was what they called in the vernacular of the school, "hair trouble."

Hair troble is frequent among the members of the Bishop school— eleven hundred boys and girls of every clime, hue and condition. It's the largest grammar school in the city and so it was necesary to watch the children against the spread of the disease. Every morning at a quarter to nine the gong sounds. Every teacher who feels that she has one or more children in her room who need medical attention sends them out at the call of the bell to alittle room where Dr. H. Peyton Johnson and Nurse Aylesworth uniformed and cheerful, await the little charges.

LITTLE FOLKS WALK IN LINE.

It was a long line of diminutive men and women who waited to be attended to yesterday morning. Most of them, it was evident from their dress and bearing, had come from the shadowy places, and it was a pretty picture made by the nurse as she bent over these little creatures binding their little wounds, administering soothing salves and lotions and exhorting them to brave conduct and more cleanly ways.

One little boy had a sore finger which he insisted must be carefully bound up, although there was little indication of soreness. A little girl with an ugly scrofulous looking sore behind her ear, two or three with sore throats and an anemic girl who, the teacher said, would do much better in school if her eyes were attended to—all stood in line, were duly diagnosed by Dr. Johnson and sent on. Here and there was a case that neede especial attention and a note was written to the parents recommending them to take the child to their family physician for special treatment.

There were thirty in all and many looked as though their first need was good nourishing food, and if the truth must be told, a vigorous application of soap and water.

MANY ARE GIVEN WASH CURE.

Hands, necks and finger-nails were examined and in many cases found so sadly wanting that Miss Aylesworth dealt out paper to serve as towels and bade her proteges hie themselves to the basement, which has been fitted up with hot and cold shower baths for boys and girls.

It's a wonderful work that is being accomplished at the Bishop school. It exemplifies very clearly the modern tendency of all work to take on the social aspect. These children are being educated—not merely in the sense of being taught the things they should know that are in books. They are being helped to care for themselves and taught the need of strong, clean bodies.

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AUSTRALIAN NEWS

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SAID TO QUICKLY IMPROVE COMPLEXION

When it's so easy to bring back the bloom of youth, to remove the blemishes and fill the hollows, isn't it foolish to plaster on cosmetics? Sallow skin and fallen-in cheeks are produced by disorders of the alimentary canal. Remove the cause—correct the condition that keeps you from looking what you ought. Use Dr. Hamilton's Pills and very soon you'll have a complexion to be proud of. Just imagine how much happier you will feel when those pimples and murky look have gone. Dainty looks came to Miss Vrooman, a well-known resident of Belfast, from using Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Read what she says: "My friends all admit that I have a very delightful complexion. This I owe positively to Dr. Hamilton's Pills. I used to look so yellow I thought it might be jaundice. There was simply no color in my cheeks at all. Today my skin is clear and never gets that murky, dull appearance it had before. Dr. Hamilton's Pills have also given me a good appetite and improved my general health also."

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