

The Spokesman

Wherever you find citizens who take pride in their country, progress is invariably the order of the day.

THE SPOKESMAN, DRUMMONDVILLE, DECEMBER 4, 1928

For Condition Of His Majesty's Heart Causes Great Anxiety Since Yesterday

Latest News Received Here by Marconi Wireless Point Out, However, that a Slight Improvement Since Yesterday is Maintained in King's Health — Sir Stanley Hewitt Only Physician Remaining at Palace.

PRINCES SPEEDING HOME

The latest news, as received here, in the course of this forenoon, by the Marconi Wireless, concerning the King, are to the effect that the slight improvement in the condition of the King indicated in yesterday evening bulletin was still maintained. Sir Stanley Hewitt was the only physician remaining at the palace, and it was understood that no mid-night bulletin would be issued.

Four of the five doctors who had at different times been called into consultation on the illness of King George, last night signed a bulletin stating that the condition of His Majesty's heart was still causing anxiety.

All Britain has been profoundly stirred by the drama of the dash of the Prince of Wales and his brother, the Duke of Gloucester, to the bedside of King George, where the nation is keeping an anxious vigil as His Majesty is making a gallant fight for life.

The King's "boys," as he lovingly calls them, are speeding from the far-off hunting fields of Africa to reach his side. Somewhere along the eastern coast of the Dark Continent, north of Dar-es-Salaam, the fast British cruiser Enterprise is ploughing homeward at full speed with His Majesty's oldest son and heir aboard.

The last medical bulletin issued said: "A slight improvement in His Majesty's condition, noted this morning, has been maintained. His temperature is nearly normal, but it is necessary to emphasize that the anxiety concerning the heart still persists."

Made in Canada

It is now the custom of Canadians, when choosing Christmas gifts for relatives and friends abroad, to select things typically Canadian. It is a good custom. It expresses, first of all, a proper pride in the quality of Canadian products, an assurance that those products, wherever received, will stand comparison with the commodities of any other country, old or new. Secondly, it is good for Canada, a first-class advertisement for the country, and an immediate and direct stimulus to Canadian business. Is there any reason why so good a custom should not be extended to cover the exchange of Christmas gifts within the Dominion itself? On the contrary, there are very sound reasons why it should be so extended, and these reasons lie back of the present movement to promote the purchase of articles of Canadian origin. These articles are offered for sale in endless variety and at prices to suit all purses. They are at last equal in quality of material and skill of workmanship to imported commodities, class for class. Industrial genius in this country takes no second place; Canadian industrial equipment is as ample and as up-to-date as can be found anywhere in the world; the raw materials used are of the best; and Canadian labor is as skilled as that of any other industrial nation. It follows that the man or woman who buys the products of his or her own country is buying, if not the best, the equal of the best that is procurable; and these commodities are to be had at fair prices. More than that, he or she is doing something to maintain employment in Canada for Canadian workmen, and to keep these workmen and their families in the country. It is worth while to do this, if only from the point of view of self-interest, because whatever makes for continued industrial activity makes for the general prosperity of the community, and there is no man or woman who is not affected thereby. A correspondent, dealing with this subject, puts the case in the following striking sentence: "I can think of no better Christmas present to a man than a good job in a prosperous country." This is a statement that will bear some study. It means that the purchase of Canadian products at Christmas time conveys a much wider benefit than is expressed in the actual exchange of gifts between one group of individuals and another; it is good national economy, and it carries the Christmas spirit into usefulness, with effects that are extended over all the year. It keeps Canadian money in Canada, for the benefit of Canadian citizens, not the factory worker alone, but men and women of every class and in every walk of life.

ADS NOT GUILTY TO THEFT AT LOCAL STORE

Deschesnes, of Pierreville, Accused of Having Taken More Than \$200 Worth of Cigarettes at the Wholesale Store of M.M. Marchesseault & Pinard — Chief Moquin Gives Clues that May Lead to Another Arrest.

GOODS RECOVERED

Last weeks, more especially at Ste-Rosalie the long fingered gentlemen lighted and there hid a part of the stolen goods. Then they went on their way towards St-Hyacinthe, walking along the long and narrow path not of virtue, but of the C. N. R. track.

THE ARREST

The freight conductor, Mr. Normand, had seen them on the act of hiding their loot and had all reasons to be suspicious. He telephoned to detective Fournier, of St-Hyacinthe, who later arrested one of the two thieves while the other jumped a train and escaped. The one arrested gave his name as Joseph Deschesnes and said he was from Pierreville. The goods were easily identified as being the property of Messrs. Marchesseault & Pinard.

THE THEFT

Informing that a burglary had taken place, chief Moquin was most diligent and, in company with Mr. Pinard, made haste to St-Hyacinthe. After a lengthy investigation of the affair found clues that will most probably lead to an imminent arrest of a second party.

Deschesnes was brought to Drummondville and appeared, for his preliminary inquiry, before magistrate Marin, of St-Hyacinthe. He pleaded not guilty and was remanded for the next term of the criminal court.

CAN ENACT LAWS RE LIGHTS ON TRAFFIC

Statutes of the Province Contain Article Giving Municipalities Right of Insistence — Much Debated Subject — Discovery of Clause Ends Efforts of Last Year.

THORNY QUESTION

On the past six or seven years, some forty municipalities of the province, including the important cities in the vicinity, as well as every traffic and auto-solicitor, have been doing best to have legislation enacted that all vehicles, horse-drawn wagons and carry lights during the darkness. All attempts at this legislation passed have failed, until now, through an inter-chief Premier Taschereau by Mr. Hanson, president, of the Automobile Club of Canada, it has been reported for some years past the municipalities to enforcing lights on all vehicles in the law of the province. The solution to this question is now assured, according to George McNamee.

The following are some of the municipalities which have intimated to the club that they are in favor of enacting legislation: St. Johns, Beaufort, Phillipsburg, St. Lambert, Montreal, Outremont, Longueuil, county of Huntingdon, Montreal South, Lachine, Hatley, Comoy, New Glasgow, Baie d'Urfe, Mont Laurier, Barnston, Sherbrooke, Montreal West, St. Gabriel, Rimouski, Cap à l'Aigle, Montreal North, Magog, Lennoxville and Ayers Cliff.

SHIRT STUDS IN PLACE OF FORTUNE

The will of the late Thomas Fortune Ryan, financier of New York, filled today, in the surrogate court, leaves only his white pearl shirt studs to Allan A. Ryan, whose break with his father is said to have come when the son disapproved of his father's remarriage, soon after the death of his first wife. The rift was reported to have widened when the younger Mr. Ryan engineered the corner in State Motors, in 1920, which was followed by collapse of that stock and his bankruptcy in 1922, with the elder Ryan supposedly standing aloof. The younger Ryan's losses were put at \$32,400,000.

Deer Season Came To Close Friday Last

One of Most Successful Seasons of Recent Years Draws To Close — Inspectors Point Out Necessity of Game Licenses.

PARTRIDGES

As far as the deer hunters are concerned, the hunting season ended last Friday night. The deer season opened on September 1st and seems to have been very successful, as accounts have come in of many hunters who have bagged their legal limit on a single expedition, and of many others who, although they have not had this luck, have been able to bring home the two deer allowed them in the season. From other parts of the district reports say that hunting has not been as good as other seasons, due to the lack of snow.

The game inspectors wish to draw attention to the fact that it is necessary for even residents of the province to have a permit to hunt deer. For residents, a permit for two deer costs \$1, while a permit for one moose also costs \$1. For non residents, a general hunting license costs \$25, while non-residents who are members of an incorporated fish and game club leasing hunting territories from the province may obtain their permit for \$10.

The moose hunters of the province still have another month in which to catch their single buck moose. Very few of these animals have been caught in this district during the last few years, as most of them were shot off some years ago. The refuge of these animals is the Gaspé peninsula and the Laurentian mountains, but even there they are very hard to get. The hunting of caribou is forbidden until the year 1933.

Partridge appear to have been very plentiful this year, in contrast to the condition of the past few years, when the birds all suffered from disease. Several local hunters have made very good bags, but the season does not close until December 15th.

The season just closing has been one of the most successful hunting times in recent years and it is hoped that with the government enforcing the game laws strictly, that the woods will find a great growth in the number of their inhabitants, with a consequent bettering of the hunting prospects for 1929.

Work Goes On At The New Garage

Friday night the City Council had a special meeting for the exclusive purpose of deliberating on the question of granting or not a permit, for alterations to be continued at the new garage that will be located in the former match factory having frontage on Lindsay Street.

The permit was finally granted but under the conditions that alterations be made in the interior of the building only, for just now. A permit will have to be issued later on as to the changes affecting the front of the new garage.

First Real Snowfall

Drummondville waded home last Friday night, at least those who happened to be out somewhat late, in the first heavy snowfall of the season. During the early evening the wind gave evidence of a blizzard, but later calmed down, and the snowfall was quiet and "featherly."

It apparently caught the city road department officials napping, for it took a little time to get streets open to traffic and drivers of cars had their difficulties.

E. T. MAN WANTS STANDARD CODE

Richmond. — At the tenth annual meeting of the National Dairy Council of Canada, just held in Toronto, Mr. F. E. M. Robinson, of Richmond, vice-president, brought up the question of standardization of milk regulations. He spoke of the work of the committee in the last few months and told how they had developed a code that emphasized methods rather than equipment in the dairy. Mr. Robinson said that if this were followed it would result in a uniform code for every province and city in Canada, which would protect the producer and insure to the consumer a better quality of milk than he had received up to now.

G. H. Henshaw Passes Away In 79th Year

Belonged to One of Oldest and Best Known Families in Dominion — Resident of St. Hyacinthe — Well Known in E. T.

SPORTSMAN

A member of one of the oldest and best known families in Canada has passed away here in the person of George Hayward Henshaw, who died in his seventy-ninth year. A son of the late George Hayward Henshaw, of Meadow Bank, St. Hyacinthe, and a grandson of George Sage Henshaw, of Montreal, Mr. Henshaw was Collector of Customs at St. Hyacinthe for several years.

The family arrived in Boston in 1642, and two brothers came to Canada as United Empire Loyalists in 1876. The Henshaws have lived in St. Hyacinthe for about a century, but with the death of Mr. Hayward Henshaw, the name disappears from that community.

Mr. Henshaw was a descendant of the Honorable Joshua Henshaw, one of the most distinguished men in public life in Massachusetts at the end of the seventeenth century. His wife, who died recently, was a grand-daughter of Admiral Parker.

Mr. Henshaw leaves two sons, George Hayward and Melville Holt Henshaw, one daughter, Mrs. Evan Turner, of Quebec, two sisters Mrs. Algernon Brown and Mrs. Wyndham Brown. Other relatives are Mrs. D. Forbes Angus, Lady Williams-Taylor and Mrs. Harry Hayward Henshaw.

Mr. Henshaw was prominent in athletics in his day. He had many friends and was beloved by all who knew him.

The Lorie Watch Contest Winners

The Lorie Watch Contest, at Mr. Melancon's Jewelry Store, ended Friday night, and the names of the winners were known Saturday. The Lorie Watch, which had been wound for the last time Thursday, stopped at 8:45 precisely, Saturday morning.

Four had guessed the exact time the watch stopped and each was awarded a prize, after drawing numbers. The lucky winners are: Miss Pauline Joyal, to whom was awarded the Lorie Watch; Miss Claire Lamoureux, a necklace; Miss Fernande Mailhot, a brooch; Mrs. Gaston Béchard, a special prize.

That contest created an intense interest in Drummondville and hundreds of citizens made various guesses as to the hour and minute the Lorie would stop.

Prohibition In U. S. A.

"Prohibition As We See It" is the title of a book being published in the New York under the auspices of the Church Temperance Society.

The work contains the opinion of a great number of the most eminent members of the Protestant clergy in the United States concerning the results of prohibition in their country, and we note the essential fact that those opinions constitute an eloquent testimony to the excellent actual regime of the Liquor Laws of the Province of Quebec.

St. George's Club

To-night, Tuesday 4th Dec. LECTURE, Subject: "Ice Destruction," by Dr. H. T. Barnes. Admission 25c. Dec. 12th, Concert, Admission 35c. Functions to commence at 8 p.m.

QUESTIONS DISCUSSED AT LOCAL COUNCIL MEETING

City Favors Good Winter Roads and Streets — Street Corners to be Made Less Dangerous — A Spacious Skating Rink for Up-Town — The Fire Alarm — Plans for Garage Must be Produced.

MEETING TO-NIGHT

At the last local council meeting held in Courchesne Hall, and presided by His Worship mayor Moisan, all the aldermen were present.

The following questions were brought up before the meeting:

Mr. Azarias Ménard recently bought two residential houses located on the property recently sold to the Dominion Silk Dyeing and Finishing Co., Hériot Street, and asked permission to remove them on land he owns, on Lindsay Street. Permission to do so was granted him under the condition that he conforms to the city by-law in regard to removal, construction and alteration of buildings.

WINTER ROADS

A resolution was unanimously carried by which the provincial government will be asked to keep in good order, for this coming winter season, the national highway passing through Drummondville. On the other hand the City will see to it that all our streets are kept clear of snow so as to permit automobile traffic to go on as usual. To that end alderman Eugene Pelletier was authorized to tender for special cars that will serve to carry away the snow removed.

CORNERS WIDENED

Dangerous corners of narrow streets will soon be widened. The aldermen will ask the county council if the latter will sell a strip of the property occupied by the Court House building, for the purpose of giving a broad curve to the corner of Hériot and Convent Street.

ENCOURAGE SKATING

Permission was granted Mr. J. Degrandpré to build a large skating rink opposite the former match factory, on Hériot Street. Water will be furnished free by the City which, moreover, will see to it that Mr. Degrandpré receives \$25 now and, at the end of the winter season, a bonus, for \$75, if the way he manages the rink is found to be satisfactory.

FIRE ALARM

Mr. E. L. Watkins, who has charge of the fire alarm system here, reported to the council that he has endeavored about the prices of different sirens. One would cost approximately \$800. It has double horns, a 5 H. P. motor, indicates where the fire is and can be heard in a radius of about two miles. At to-night's council meeting Mr. Watkins will give definitive particulars and the buying of a fire alarm will then probably be decided.

PLANS REQUIRED

After a lengthy discussion the council decided, aldermen St-Onge and Lindsay being dissident, not to give to Mr. J. P. Kelly the permission he had asked for to be authorized to make alterations to the former match factory where he intends to establish a public garage, unless he first lays before the city council a plan showing the alterations to be made to the building.

FULL OPERATION NOW AT THE CANADIAN CELANESE

Ideal Conditions at That Local Plant — High Praises for French-Canadian Labour — Plant Gradually Expanding — Two Tons a Day of Yarn Production Expected Here in the Course of Next Year.

ARTIFICIAL SILK

Conditions at the Celanese plant is highly satisfactory presently, if can be judged by the following interview given to the press by Mr. R. H. Spurling, works manager of the company here. Returned from a trip to England, where he visited the British plant and discussed the situation affecting the price of the British Celanese securities, Mr. Spurling says:

"The British company had a production of 10 tons a day. They issued some new securities and doubled this production. The business grew very rapidly, and this year they issued additional securities with the intention of increasing the 20 tons production to 40 tons per day of celanese yarns. Due to a slump in the textile trade all over the world, and a particularly severe slump in England, the British company is selling only about 20 tons per day. Besides the depression, there was talk of a strike in Lancashire and Yorkshire among the textile workers. Naturally the market for celanese securities has declined very markedly, and this slump in British shares has affected the price of the American and Canadian shares."

With reference to the Canadian industry he says: "Undoubtedly, for a development proposition, the Canadian share price had discounted the future for quite a little while, although there is little doubt that over a reasonable period of time these shares will sell at considerably enhanced figures."

"Canadian Celanese Company erected a plant at Drummondville that is a considerable stride ahead of the American and British plants. When Mr. Spurling was in England he was asked what the Canadian company production was at Drummondville. Mr. Spurling advised that they were producing about a ton of yarn a day, and using practically the whole of this in their own

entire product. For a new plant, producing entirely new yarns and fabrics, this is a very good showing."

"The American company is producing approximately 8 tons of yarn per day, and the cost of the production at Drummondville is only slightly higher on less than a ton production than it is at Cumberland, Md., on over 8 tons. Next spring, when the Drummondville plant is up to two tons a day of yarn production, costs should be as low as they are in the United States or England. The reason for these lower costs is that the plan is more efficient and is taking advantage of all the improvements indicated by the experience of the British and American companies."

FRENCH PRAISED

"Everyone who sees the work that is done by the French-Canadian hands in the Drummondville factory are amazed at their efficiency, expertness and thoroughness. One party recently decided to build a new factory in the Eastern Townships territory, served by the Southern Canada Power Company, after going through the Celanese plant and talking to the employees who have proven so very satisfactory."

"The Canadian Celanese plant at Drummondville has been in a state of complete process production for only four months. Production is being increased steadily, while sales are growing at a rate to require the plants increased output just as soon as available."

"They are operating at Drummondville 212 looms, 50 more are under way, and they propose to build the loom capacity ultimately to 1,500 looms. When the company has 310 looms or more running, the

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LOCAL PERSONAL NEWS

Books given in prizes at the recent examination of the Commencement Exercises, at the River View School, have been donated by Messrs. R. H. Spurling, C. E. Olive, J. C. Eddy, L. Lackey, E. R. Tanner and Prince.

SPORT NEWS

At a meeting of local hockey enthusiasts recently held in the Knights of Columbus Hall it was decided to organize a lively hockey schedule here for this season.

Montreal Now Heads Canadian N. H. L. Section

Maroons Blanked Rangers at Montreal and Canadiens Defeated Senators at Ottawa — Americans Dropped both Week-End Games.

Outstanding Year For Southern Can. Power Earned \$3.77 on Common

Gross and Net Revenues Both Reveal Substantial Expansion to Record Peaks — Balance Sheet Reflects Financing With Heavy Working Capital — Output and Demand Both Show Wide Growth.

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Pert Paragraphs

There would be just as many divorces in rural sections if separation required the sacrifice of nothing except three installments on the furniture.

Pensions For Everybody

Quite a lot of discussion has been caused in England over the application of the Earl of Birkenhead for a pension of five thousand pounds a year, which he is entitled to as an ex-Lord Chancellor.

Chamberlain's Visit Here

Toronto had recently the privilege of welcoming an Englishman with authentic claims to greatness in the person of Rt. Hon. Sir Austen Chamberlain, K. G., Britain's representative to the Dominion of Canada.

To The Memory Of Mother

Oh Mother dear many years have gone Since thy departed spirit claimed thy throne, For Him our Saviour from this Worldly strife Thy departed Spirit fled to Eternal Life.

KELLY WILDER GARAGE Former Match Factory NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS Steam-heated fireproof garage WINTER STORAGE \$5.00 a month

Frontenac News Reviews

AMONG THE DISTINGUISHED VISITORS WHO ARRIVED IN TOWN LAST WEEK WAS SANTA CLAUS WHO IS NOW OFFICIALLY INSTALLED IN MONTREAL'S BRICK BUILDING DISTRICT.

DO NOT FORGET TO VISIT OUR STORE WHILE DOING YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING OUR PRICES ARE ALL CUT DOWN DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER The Right Headquarters For Christmas Shopping And Thrifty Buyers

He clean the LIN I MAN IS CALLED A "TROUBLE-SHOOTER" may sound like sport but it isn't for him.

Long Live The King The whole Empire would breathe a deep sigh of relief the recovery of His Majesty the King from the serious illness which looks so grave and as if it might be a precursor of death.

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Florida's Wonderful Beaches Are you longing for the caressing warmth of a cloudless mid-Summer day, for the song of birds, for the scent of the sea breeze?

Don't Expect To Be Sick

Why should men and women and children become sick? It is easy, of course, to blame wrong diet, faulty habits and the rush and strain of modern life.

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Card Social Changes Mind

A delightful card social was enjoyed by a number of Richmond townpeople through the efforts of Mr. E. S. Cogan of this town in a benefit for new bells for the Church of St. Anne, for which Father Lavallee, curé of the parish, had initiated a movement.

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Ask Me No More

Ask me no more the moon may draw the sea; The clouds may stoop from heaven and take the shape, With fold to fold, of mountain or of cape;

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Southern Canada Power Company Limited FIFTEENTH CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending 30th September, 1928

The Towne Gossip

In Drummondville, as elsewhere, it is not always rosy to be a landlord, nor is it also, sometimes, to be a tenant. "Late one night, said a downtown landlord to our representative, I was called up by a tenant who inquired: "Can a landlord interfere when a woman on an up floor quarrels with her husband and disturbs the neighbors at night?"

"You are one of the neighbors?" the landlord asked. No, I'm the husband!"

Read in a Montreal contemporary: "Edward Dille was shot through the head and probably wounded." — Let's hope not!

There's gossiping to the effect that a certain young lady well known in St. George social circles has taken the habit of saying now and then: "Husbands should share the housework with their wives."

And she's surely right. We despise those selfish husbands who want to do it all themselves.

THE MYSTERY OF HOP HALL

(Chapter 2)
(By Gus Ipper)

When the three bony knocks were heard at the door of Hop Hall, that Saturday night, the trio of what was once the popular Cock-tail Quartet, before the strange disappearance of their short-stouted leader, got up on their feet. All three, the speaker and his comrades, were pale and livid. A

weird coincidence indeed that such raps should interrupt the speaker at the very psychological moment he was to apparently disclose things until then unknown to his colleagues! But what is life if not a succession of coincidences more or less cheerful?

Outside, the wind was moaning, lamenting. Branches writhed and flung bare arms to and fro. It was so dark that a passerby on Cockburn Street would then hardly have seen the tower of the Village St. Pierre town hall. And in the night, snow, carried briskly by the hurrying winds, whirled, like so many fluffy feathers dropped or snatched from some flapping wings unseen. . . . Dicken's ghosts for sure, would never have chosen a more befitting place and time for their classical pranks!

But let us all hastily slip back, as it is time we should, after the hereinabove gloomy digression, to the warmer, brighter, more pleasant and more hearthlike atmosphere of Hop Hall, and to the stupified heroes of this our thrilling true story. As soon as the knocks were heard our three intelligent citizens understood there were someone just at the other side of the door. And their quick apprehension did not deceive them, for one third of a second had not yet elapsed that the door swung wide open and, lo! a man stood before them! Dishevelled, haggard, trembling, that man was the short-

stouted leader himself!! He slowly walked into the room. Under his arm he was carrying a large paper bag full of some merchandise which appeared to be glassware. . . . by the way he took care of it. And surely it was glassware!

(The third chapter of this dazzling novel will be served in our next issue. Publishers will take notice that this is being published under the Copyright Act.)

There's one consolation about both death and taxes. When you finish one you're through with the other.

A flying rumor never has any trouble in making a landing. That's one thing that should be said in our town where public men are ready to help and many lads are anxious to do hopping off skyward.

The departure of one of its members dissolves the C. M. & H. Co., Ltd, which has been known for quite a time here as the "Three Enfants terribles." It is one more proof that evolution has not come to a stop.

And where, O where is the poet whose lyre will sing to posterity the epic of that car that whizzed by, like a glorious meteor, the other night, and majestically alighted on the porch of a residential house, at the sylvan curve of the Celanese road?

Persons wishing to have divers items inserted in the "Towne Gossip" columns are requested to forward them to the "Spokesman" office duly signed and not later than Monday forenoon.

We know a young store clerk of this town who is darn glad winter has come to stay. He is a born petter and when he parks, in the good old summer time, he needs one hand to swat mosquitoes.

If robbers keep on visiting Drummondville as they have been doing for the past three weeks, wholesalers and retailers will fully appreciate to see old Santa Claus slide down the chimney with a gift for them.

Pat was coming across on a liner and on the second day out he met on the deck a fellow-countryman with whom he was acquainted. Soon after, the sea became very rough and Pat succumbed to seasickness. It was not until they were nearing New York that the two met again.

"Why Pat", was Mike's greeting, "ye're lookin' years older than whin Oi last saw ye."

"Small wonder at that", was Pat's reply. "Oi've had several berth days since then."

One of our most prominent citizens in Drummondville complained lately about

P. T. Legaré Ltd Earnings Higher

Sales for Ten Months Show Increase of Over \$500,000 — Has a Chain of Sixty-Two Stores in This Province.

Sales of the P. T. Legaré Co., Limited, for the first ten months of the present year showed an increase in excess of half a million dollars over those for the corresponding period last year, according to an announcement made by J. H. Fortier, president and general manager. Profits are reported to have increased in approximately the same proportion as sales. As a consequence the dividend on the 7 per cent. preferred stock will in 1928 be earned over six times, leaving a substantial balance available for common stock dividends.

The directors have always pursued a very conservative policy, adding yearly to reserves and reinvesting the profits in the business. This process has now gone on so far as to have resulted in a material increase in earning capacity, and indications are that the directors will be in a position shortly to consider the question of a dividend on the common stock. The actual surplus and reserves, together with this year's profits, will give the company a substantial fund from which to draw for common stock dividends.

The company, which was founded fifty-one years ago, operates a chain of sixty-two stores in the cities and towns of the province of Quebec, and has as well over one thousand agencies, giving representation in every municipality of Quebec, eastern Ontario and the western section of New Brunswick. The lines of goods handled are furniture of all kinds, house furnishings, electrical appliances, stoves, musical instruments, in fact everything needed for the home and for the farm.

New stores have recently been opened in Cornwall, Ont., and Bagotville, Que., in the district surrounding both of which rapid industrial expansion has taken place in the last few years. The store at Bagotville will serve also the towns of Port Alfred, Ha! Ha! Bay, and the parish of St. Alphonse.

P. T. Legaré Company has declared the quarterly dividend of 1 1/4 per cent. on the 7 per cent. preferred stock, payable December 1 to shareholders of record November 15.

The problem isn't to give the farmer a good living, but to give him the soft snap everybody else has. Some husbands buy nice presents for their returning wives, and others behave while their wives are away.

a foolish letter written and made public with the sole object of dragging him in some nonsensical polemics. He should'n't worry. An intelligent man always receives two kinds of letters: those of praise from broad-minded and bright fellows, and those of low criticism from the kickers and cranks.

In Drummondville, of late, there has been sharp tilts in almost all kinds of matches: at Kouri's boxing match; in many a matrimonial match; even about the old match factory. Matching affairs are certainly at a critical period just now in our midst.

That siren the City is about to buy can be of good help aside bringing out our flamethrowers. Connected to the doors and windows of all the local stores, shops, banks, freight sheds, etc. . . it would play a loud tune which safe blowers would hardly appreciate.

Full Operation Now At The Canadian Celanese

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plant should be on a sound dividend basis. "When it is considered that the artificial silk yarn used today is only 2 per cent. of the total cotton yarn used in the world, it is possible to realize what the future expansion may very well be. Particularly is this so when it is realized that artificial silk yarns, in large capacity production, can be made much cheaper than the equivalent cotton yarns."

Gold Seekers

Traces of an old civilization in the wild mountainous country of New Guinea, show that Australians were by no means the first to seek gold there. A most interesting system has just been discovered of terraced irrigation by means of interlocked bamboo piles, which is regarded as certain evidence that tribes which to-day betray a cannibalistic tendency were at one time associated with some prehistoric civilization. The view is borne out by the unearthing at the Edie Creek gold fields of vein stones and pestles and mortars identical in type with those used by the ancient Egyptians. These immigrants, says the Government Anthropologist, are believed to have been gold seekers.

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Rooms and board in private house. Good cooking. Apply to 280 Dorion St.

Still, you see very few statues of men who agreed with the majority. Education: Forcing the bright ones to mark time until the dumb ones finally get the idea.

Hon. R. Monty, K.C., Fatally Stricken At St. Hyacinthe

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possessed by Mr. Monty, the prospects in Quebec looked but dark, yet he answered the call.

A LEADER AT BAR

Mr. Monty was of a genial disposition, even jovial in temperament, with an interest in social life. As a member of the Bar, Mr. Monty had reached the highest honor in his profession, being Barrister of the Montreal Bar at the time of his death. He became a lawyer in 1897, securing his L.L.L. degree from McGill University, after having previously obtained the B.A. degree from the University of Montreal, then Laval.

At various times in his long legal career he was honored with the confidence of his fellow members, as previously he had been president of the Laval Law Society for the year 1895-96. He was a member of the Council of the Bar for eight years, a member of the Board of Examiners, treasurer of the Council of the Bar for two years, and had

Injuries Fatal

Mr. John Dyson, of Richmond, who was injured at Richmond, a few days ago, when he was struck by an auto, has passed away and an inquest has been held by Coroner Leonidas Bachand. The conclusion of the inquest is that a motorist unknown is responsible of the death of the victim.

The accident occurred opposite the Girard Store on Main Street, Richmond, as Mr. Dyson was crossing the street, he was run down by an auto and thrown or rolled for a distance of about thirty feet, suffering a bad fracture of the left leg and severe lacerations about the head. The driver of the car did not stop, but hurried away at an excessive rate of speed, too fast for any bystanders to distinguish who he was or to take the license number. The late Mr. Dyson was seventy-two years of age.

The passing away of Mr. Dyson will be keenly felt in Richmond, where he has resided for a number of years and where he is very well-known.

rounded his career with the leadership of the Bar when death overtook him. He was given his K. C. sash in 1909. Mr. Monty was born in Montreal in 1874, the son of James Monty Henri, Maurice, Jean and Adele Beauchemin and was married in 1899 to Marguerite, Estelle and

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Special Prize: Mrs. Gaston Béchard.

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