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DRUMMONDVILLE, APRIL 8, 1930

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## EMPLOYMENT BILL VOTE EXPECTED EARLY THIS WEEK

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Heaps May Be Sup-  
by Representatives  
Parties, at Commons  
Winding Up Act.  
D PROBLEM

Hon. Ernest Lapointe, introduced a House of Commons to winding up act, second session given to an act in-  
corporate Merchants' and Em-  
insurance Company; and  
on the amendment of A.  
Labor, Winnipeg North,  
tion to go into supply  
ued. This debate was  
riday.

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A. Heaps to the motion  
committee of supply, cal-  
mediate action by the  
it to deal with the un-  
situation, has occupied  
of the House, and from  
pects it will not be be-  
row that a vote is taken.  
vote is taken it is cer-  
very close.

R. Geary (Cons., Tor-  
th) characterized the  
Minister's policy, as  
the House, was "beyond  
P. Howden (Liberal, St.  
declared there was no  
employment was a constant  
condition of our so-  
ture. Seasonable condi-  
cent stock market crash  
ar's small crop had situ-  
this winter's labor situa-  
climate of Canada, too,  
or. Two means of reduc-  
ible would be to give the  
n sufficient wages to  
over an unemployment  
d undesirable immigrants  
ebarred.

speakers were: H. E.  
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sing incident occurred at  
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rie (Conservative, New  
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nd Vicinity — Lino-  
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ER FACTORY

a. — Great activity in  
ng line in Farnham and  
promised for the coming  
several important projects  
er way.  
y the most important of  
e factory of the Barry,  
nd Shepherd Company,  
manufacturers, of Kirk-  
land. The contract for  
ng, which will ultimately  
million dollars has been  
Church, Ross and Com-  
ontreal and the first car-  
couples arrived on the sce-  
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tions have been going on  
wo years in an attempt,  
had a successful termina-  
this plant locate here.  
merican Wringer Company  
ave completed negotia-  
the Stedman Rubber  
Company, of Massachusetts,  
by the former will ma-  
rubber flooring in the  
djoining that in which  
ow making rubber cover-  
the pulp, paper, textile  
ng machinery trade. Mr.  
orris, manager of the  
company, expects to start  
the flooring in about three  
e.

Be Stopped  
al police are taking up  
of motorists racing  
on streets and splashing  
water on the pedestrians.  
s have studied the mat-  
last few days, and as a  
asures will to taken a-  
torists who fail to take  
precautions in this mat-  
tion is drawn to the  
this is a breach of the  
ties Act and is subject  
e penalties as speeding  
e driving.

## Crossing Rule To Be Enforced By Government

Intention of Roads Depart-  
ment to Rigidly Enforce  
Ruling in Connection  
With Cars Stopping at All  
Unprotected Railways  
Crossings.

### CO-OPERATION

The Quebec Roads Department  
intends to strictly enforce the regu-  
lation that all automobiles come to  
a full stop before going over an un-  
protected railway grade crossing  
this year, according to information  
contained in the official bulletin of  
the Department received here this  
morning.

It is pointed out that in March  
and April, 1929, there were 502 and  
701 accidents, respectively, and the  
prediction is made that if motorists  
continued to ignore prudence and  
violate traffic regulations there will  
probably be at least one thousand  
accidents between now and the end  
of April.

Hundreds of thousands of motor-  
ists will soon be travelling on the  
highways, the government report  
says, and it is up to each one to see  
to his own safety. The best way to  
accomplish this, the report contin-  
ues, is to thoroughly understand  
the dangers of motoring and to  
keep on the lookout for them.

Nearly all accidents, it is pointed  
out, are caused by excessive speed  
and, in this connection motorists  
are warned to keep within the lim-  
its set by law, especially early in  
the spring, when frequent rains and  
the thawing of snow and ice tend  
to make driving more dangerous  
than usual.

All are asked to co-operate with  
the Department of Roads in con-  
nection with the closing of high-  
ways in the spring to heavy traffic.  
It is stated in the report that the  
restriction is a necessary one if  
highways are to be protected and  
kept in good condition for summer  
driving. Motorists, by carrying  
out the Department's regulations,  
can save thousands of dollars in re-  
pairs.

## Motorists Are Warned Not To Leave The Town

Highways at Present Time  
in Bad Condition for Mo-  
tor Travel — Soggy Spots  
Abound in Roads — Cars  
Have to be Hauled Out.  
SINCE YESTERDAY

Several provincial highways are  
actually closed or will be this week  
to the motor traffic and will stay  
closed for about two weeks, proba-  
bly, on account of their condition.

But even if they were open, mo-  
torists are warned not to attempt  
to leave the town in motor cars now.  
The conditions of the highways  
are impossible at the present time.  
Two motorists arrived from  
Sherbrooke, yesterday, at the con-  
clusion of a practically all day  
trip, and stated that they had to  
be pulled out of soggy spots on  
several occasions in the vicinity of  
Bromptonville.

Another motorist was to Mont-  
real, and reports that he had great  
difficulty in negotiating the high-  
way.

The frost is coming out of the  
ground rapidly at the present time,  
and yesterday's damp weather, has  
put the roads in a very dangerous  
condition for motor traffic, there  
being soggy spots in which a car  
would quickly sink to the axles.  
This applies to all roads leading  
from this town. This morning's  
snowfall will make it much worse  
yet, of course.

### Enjoyed Hospitality

A brave citizen from a nearby  
village came to our town for a few  
hours' visit, last week-end. But  
our town being a very hospitable  
one, he stayed here a little longer  
than he really had intended to and  
the police station had him as an  
involuntary guest for a whole night  
after which, the effects of wine im-  
bibed having abated, he was allow-  
ed to leave our midst.

## OTTAWA FACING QUIET WEEK WITH EASTER RECESS A FEW DAYS AWAY; PREPARING BUDGET DISCUSSION

### MAYOR HOUE GIVEN A HUGE MAJORITY

Mayor Camilien Houe was re-  
elected mayor of Montreal yester-  
day with a vote which left no  
question as to the decision of the  
people. Though there had been  
little doubt as to the re-election of  
the mayor, especially as the oppo-  
sition against him was of the  
last minute variety, the fact that  
His Worship secured a majority  
of 41,634 was somewhat of a sur-  
prise, a larger vote than expect-  
ed was registered. With acclama-  
tion in four important divisions,  
Notre Dame de Graces, St. Ann's,  
St. Andrew's and Ville Marie, and  
the certainty of victory, the sur-  
prise was in the fact that there  
was such a large turnout.

### Sugar Makers Are Reporting Good Season

At First it Was Thought to  
be Disappointing — Many  
Sugaring-off Parties in the  
Vicinity — Practically no  
More Snow in Woods.

#### GOOD RUN

The weather, so far this month,  
has been springlike, and indicative  
of "April's smiles and tears," the  
latter prevailing and with a little  
snow that went as quickly as it  
came. The few cold nights and fol-  
lowing higher temperature has re-  
sulted in an excellent run of sap,  
and sugar makers are "boiling day  
and night."

Reports from all sections of this  
and other maple sugar districts  
show that this is proving a good  
sugar season, despite the prophecy  
that the light snowfall of the winter  
might result in a short and dis-  
appointing season for the sugar  
makers.

Many sugaring-off parties have  
been made, city folk having an-  
ticipated such an outing for weeks  
ahead. The snow has practically  
disappeared from the woods, so  
with from ten to twelve warmer  
days the maple season of 1930 will  
be a thing of the past.

### Boom And Drive Men Preparing In Townships

Everything Being Put in  
Readiness for Start of  
Spring Drive — Logs will  
Soon Start on Their Way  
to the Mills.

#### EARLY DRIVE

These are busy days, in these  
Eastern Townships, amongst or-  
ganizations which look after the  
"drive" of the logs cut this winter.

Within a very short space of time,  
the ice will be rotting out of  
the river and the thousands of logs  
piled on icy lakes will be starting  
on their trip to the woodpile. In  
the meanwhile, the Boom and Drive  
men are getting their equipment  
into shape, building new driving  
boats and repairing the old ones,  
and laying in the hundreds of pike-  
poles, "peeves", and other imple-  
ments that will be used during the  
drive.

Then, as soon as the ice goes,  
booms will have to be strung out,  
and the foremen and their merry  
gangs will get into action on the  
various lakes and rivers.

From all indications the "drive"  
will start early this year, and as  
the winter's cut has been a fairly  
heavy one, a season of strenuous  
activity seems to lie immediately  
ahead.

#### Traffic Signs

The roads department is actual-  
ly busy renovating all the regula-  
tion signs to be installed soon on the  
principal streets of the city.

#### Town Council

There will be a regular Town  
Council meeting, to-night, at Cour-  
chesne Hall. Quite a few items  
are listed to come up for discus-  
sion. It is expected that the plans  
for the proposed Court House  
building will be studied by our mu-  
nicipal representatives to-night.

When Members Return from Recess, Budget Will Be  
Brought Down, and as It May Be Last Budget Before a  
General Election, All Parties Preparing Their Discus-  
sions With Utmost Care.

### MANY DEPUTATIONS

Ottawa. — With the Easter recess coming at the end of this week,  
it is not expected that there will be any important developments in the  
Government's programme before then. When the members return  
after the recess, the budget will be brought down, and, as it may be  
the last budget before a general election, all parties in the House will  
prepare their discussions of it with utmost care.

#### WHAT WILL NEXT MOVES BE

Opinion among the parliamentar-  
ians as to the probability of a gen-  
eral election this year continues to  
swing now for and now against.  
Some Liberal members interpreted  
the words of Premier King at the  
caucus a few days ago as meaning  
an election within a year. Since it  
is not considered probable that an  
election would be held in the winter,  
some have therefore guessed that it  
would be held in August before the  
Imperial Conference, others that  
it would be late in the fall. In  
all probability the Government has  
made no decision itself yet as to  
whether it will go to the country  
this year or wait until 1931. Much  
will likely depend upon develop-  
ments in relation to the budget.

There was considerable specula-  
tion on Parliament Hill over the  
week-end as to the next move of the  
Opposition groups. It was suggest-  
ed that the Conservatives might  
move some amendment to the mo-  
tion to go into supply based on the  
declaration of Premier King last  
Thursday that he would not give a

"single five-cent piece to any Tory  
Government on earth", in connec-  
tion with unemployment relief. It  
also suggested that the United  
Farmers of Alberta may move an  
amendment regretting the fifty per  
cent. British content requirement  
for cotton goods entering this coun-  
try under the British preference.

Telegrams are pouring in on  
Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of  
Labor, objecting to the provisions  
of the bill he has introduced deal-  
ing with fair wages on Government  
works "Shoals of telegrams all the  
way from the Atlantic to the Paci-  
fic", to use the Minister's own words  
have reached the department and as  
a result, it has been decided to  
delay second reading of the bill  
until deputations have had an op-  
portunity of conferring with the  
Government on the matter. One  
deputation is coming representing  
the Canadian Manufacturers' As-  
sociation. It will likely be here  
tomorrow. Another representing  
construction contracts will also have  
an appointment.

## TIMELY DISCOVERY OF FLAMMES PREVENTS HEAVIER DAMAGES

A fire, apparently due to live ashes having been deposited in a  
faultry recipient, broke out, Saturday, just after midnight, in a shed  
located in the rear of Mr. Aime Boisvert's building, Lindsay St.  
Luckily the flames were noticed at their very start and the fire  
brigade extinguished them in time. The damages are not considered  
as being very heavy.

## FOUNDATION WORK PROGRESSING AT DENNISON MANUFACTURING LTD.

A crew of from fifty to sixty men and several heavy teams have  
been hard at work, since a week, laying the foundations of the new  
Dennison Manufacturing of Canada Limited plant, in the south-west  
part of the city, near where was the former C. P. R. Station. The  
work is progressing rapidly and it is expected that within the next  
two weeks, the task of putting up the walls will be started. The new  
plant will be a one-storey brick building covering an area of 120 by  
240 feet. The contract is carried out by the Dakin Construction Co.

## LOCAL RETAILERS' ASSOCIATION HAS ELECTED ITS OFFICERS

The local branch of the Retail-  
ers' Association of Canada held a  
meeting, Thursday, at which were  
elected its officers and directors for  
the next twelve months, with the  
following results:

Mayor W. A. Moisan, Honorary  
President; J. H. Tetreau, Presi-  
dent; J. O. Montplaisir, 1st Vice-  
President; Eugene Pelletier, 2nd  
Vice-President; M. A. Biron, Treas-  
urer; J. H. Melancon, Secretary;  
Jos. Lafontaine, auditor. The directors  
are E. Beaudoin, W. Philie,  
F. X. Belhumeur, Isidore Mercure,  
Edgar Lafontaine, J. B. Bergeron  
and J. L. Marchesseault.

### To the Splashers

The lot of the pedestrian at this particular time of  
the year is a very difficult one. The streets are covered  
with slush and mud, and quite a number of motorists re-  
fuse to show any consideration for people walking along  
the sidewalks. In fact, some of the drivers, who should not  
be in charge of any kind of vehicle, appear to derive some  
kind of enjoyment from the discomfort and distress of  
pedestrians on the sidewalks who find themselves splashed  
from head to foot with mire.

These past days many destructive drivers were noticed  
and many pedestrians, especially girls and ladies, had  
their clothes badly damaged.

To the pedestrian is due fair consideration. If the  
muddling motorists persist in their destructive driving  
the police should step in with a firm hand. An example  
or two would no doubt serve to remedy matters to a great  
extent.

Motorists are among the first to complain of restrict-  
ive laws. Let some of them show a little more disposition  
to act decently towards others and many of the laws will  
prove to be unnecessary. Even modern laws are not usual-  
ly "a terror to the good, but to the evil-doer," to adopt the  
old Biblical phraseology.

### A Real "Bordee"

"Bordee" is the French-Canadian  
expression for a snowfall worth  
while and the one that the early  
hours of this morning have unex-  
pectedly brought us does well de-  
serve that name. The last snow of  
Spring is called "sugaring snow"  
and when it falls it is the "crow  
winter" say the Habitants, even  
if the crows have been back since  
more than a month ago.

### EIGHTEEN OF HOUE CANDIDATES ELECTED

Eighteen of Mayor Camilien  
Houe's thirty-one aldermanic  
candidates included in His Wor-  
ship's published ticket were elect-  
ed in yesterday's civic elections.  
One additional adhesion was an-  
nounced last night at the City  
Hall; while Houe forces claimed  
they could expect support from  
three more aldermen. In that  
event, the Houe bloc in the City  
Council would total 22 out of 35;  
that is a matter for future appre-  
ciation. The one hard fact em-  
erging from the ballot is that  
eighteen of the thirty-five alder-  
men in the new City Council are  
Houe ticket men.

### No Extremes Noted During Past Month

Meteorological Report for  
March Shows Temperature  
Was in the Average  
During That Period.

#### RAINFALLS

No extremes are noted in the  
reports for the month of March,  
at the local meteorological station,  
at the Brothers of Charity's nov-  
itiate.

The average temperature for the  
past month was 25.13 degrees,  
which was slightly lower than the  
sixteen year average of 25.37. This,  
however, was not outstanding, as  
the lowest average on record was  
made during the month of March,  
1916, when the thermometer read-  
ings for the month average 15.39.  
The highest temperature recorded  
in March this year was fifty-two  
degrees lower than the sixteen-year  
month. This reading was eighteen  
degrees lower than the sixteen-year  
record established in 1921. The  
lowest temperature recorded during  
the past month was eighteen de-  
grees below zero, compared with  
the record reading of thirty-six  
degrees below zero on March 9th,  
1923.

Twenty-three inches of snow fell  
during March, 8.74 inches more  
than the average for the past six-  
teen years. It does not constitute a  
new record, however, for in 1923  
twenty-nine inches of snow were  
recorded. The lowest record, estab-  
lished in 1927, was 2.5 inches.  
Rainfall for the month was 1.08  
inches, which was slightly higher  
than the average, which is recorded  
as 1.36 inch for the sixteen-year  
period.

The sunshine for the month was  
low, only 128.5 hours being record-  
ed as compared with the average of  
141.4 hours. The highest March  
sunshine on record was 197.3 hours  
in 1916, and the lowest 113.1 in  
1929.

## Madame Albani Has Concluded Great Career

World-Famed Singer, Who  
Was Born Near This Dis-  
trict, Died in London,  
Last Week — Was in Se-  
venty-Eighth Year — Great  
Soprano.

#### BIOGRAPHY

London. — The rise from obs-  
curity in the little French-Can-  
adian village of Chambly, Que., to  
become a world-famous singer,  
claiming the friendship of Queen  
Victoria, was the record won by  
Madame Albani, whose death oc-  
curred in London last week, at the  
advanced age of seventy-eight  
years. The history of Madame Al-  
bani's colorful career is the story  
of the daughter of a church organ-  
ist in a small Canadian village  
whose musical abilities lifted her  
from the humble position of choir  
the greatest sopranos of the  
last century. Ere she retired  
from the concert platform, at the  
age of sixty years, Madame Albani  
had been made the "first singer of  
the German royal household," had  
been an intimate friend of the late  
Queen Victoria of England, and  
had heard the plaudits of the mu-  
sical elite of the great cities of the  
world.

Madame Albani was born Marie  
Emma Lajeunesse, daughter of  
Joseph Lajeunesse, organist in the  
church of the Canadian village of  
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## SESSION OF LEGISLATURE HAS COME TO A CLOSE FRIDAY

### E. T. NEWS OF INTEREST

#### BROCHU CASE

Sherbrooke. — The attorney-  
general's department is taking over  
the case of Joseph Brochu, Mont-  
real broker, who is facing a charge  
of conspiring to defraud and to  
steal certain valuables from Dame  
Anna Couture, of this city, and  
others in connection with stock  
deals. Brochu appeared before  
Judge J. A. Metayer, of Quebec,  
in the Magistrate's Court here  
Thursday morning, and the preli-  
minary hearing was fixed for to-  
morrow. The case, which was sup-  
posed to have opened Thursday was  
postponed when Mr. Wilfrid Lazu-  
re, K. C. local Crown Attorney,  
asked for an adjournment on ac-  
count of the unavoidable absence of  
Mr. E. Bertrand, K. C.; Crown  
Attorney of Montreal, who has  
been appointed to take over the  
case at the request of the Attorney  
General's department.

The accused is out at present on  
\$25,000 bail.

#### ASBESTOS MINES

Asbestos. —The greater effi-  
ciency and safety of electricity over  
steam in mining operations is again  
testified to by the decision of the  
Canadian Johns-Manville Company  
to electrify their entire plant at  
Asbestos.

For several years this company  
has had seventeen steam locomotives  
in operation in their mines and  
on their railway between Asbestos  
and Danville, where connection is  
made with the Canadian National  
Railways, a distance of about two  
miles. Already, however, three of  
these iron horses have been retired  
and their place taken by electric  
engines, while the other fourteen  
are scheduled to finish their work  
within the next few months.

Over fifteen thousand tons of  
asbestos rock are being handled on  
the lines daily.

#### THREE SENTENCED

Sweetsburg. — The maximum  
penalty of six months in jail was  
given the pseudo W. H. Metcalfe,  
V.C., M.M., by Judge J. H. Lemay  
in the Magistrate's Court here  
Thursday for obtaining money un-  
der false pretences. The man, who  
acknowledged that he was not the  
W. H. Metcalfe who won the Victo-  
ria Cross and Military Medal dur-  
ing the World War, and pleaded  
guilty to a charge of obtaining  
money under false pretences on his  
appearance before the Magistrate  
on March 26th, still refuses to give  
his name or address.

Albert Sothiere and Ernest Rous-  
seau were both sentenced to serve  
two years in the St. Vincent de  
Paul Penitentiary by Judge J. H.  
Lemay, for stealing household ar-  
ticles valued at \$400 from the resi-  
dence of Robin Gray, of Saxby Cor-  
ner, which is situated about three  
miles from the farm on which the  
two men and their families resided.  
The theft was committed during  
the month of February and the ar-  
rest of the two men came as the re-  
sult of a month's investigation by  
High Constable St. Martin.

#### NARROW ESCAPE

Bolton. — Mr. Ralph Cousens,  
of this place, had a very narrow  
escape from serious, or perhaps  
his fatal injuries when car  
plunged off a bridge here and  
fell some twelve feet, landing bot-  
tom side up on the water edge.

Fortunately Mr. Cousens was  
able to jump before the machine  
crashed on the ground. The auto-  
mobile was very badly damaged.

### S. C. P. Building

As soon as the conditions of the  
highways will permit easier trav-  
elling, the official opening of the  
enlarged local Southern Canada  
Power store and operating offices  
will take place.

As we all know the building in  
question was considerably enlarged  
so as to give more room to the local  
branch office and to house the  
Operating Department. This work  
is now practically completed and,  
as soon as the roads are open, Mr.  
F. Chisholm, the manager, intends  
to organize a house-warming party  
which, it is said, will be memorable  
in the annals of the Company.

Improvement of Agriculture  
and Measure to Provide  
Separate School System  
for Montreal Jewish Chil-  
dren, Were Main Featu-  
res of Session.

### OTHER MEASURES

Quebec. — The current session  
of the Quebec Legislative Assem-  
bly was brought to a close Friday.  
In this third session two matters of  
paramount importance occupied the  
attention of the members, plans for  
the improvement of agriculture and  
a measure to provide a separate  
school system for the Jewish chil-  
dren on the Island of Montreal.

An echo of the disastrous stock  
market upheaval last autumn and  
the more recent disturbances in  
brokerage circles, the Assembly put  
through a "blue sky" law designed  
to effect certain reforms in the  
brokerage business by which a closer  
check can be kept on brokers  
and salesmen and their operations,  
and to effect a standardization of  
operations on the stock exchange.

The succession duties or death  
dues also occupied the attention of  
the Provincial House, but will be  
of more vital importance to the  
more affluent citizens than to the  
less fortunate voters.

The cause of women's suffrage  
met another defeat, but gained a  
few new adherents. The absence  
of a Montreal bill this session was  
accepted with general relief by the  
members.

The session up to Friday after-  
noon at least was marked by no  
stirring incidents, as was the case  
last session, for the tone of the de-  
bate was moderate and on a better  
level, except during the last two  
weeks, when debate fell off consi-  
derably, largely due to lack of op-  
position, which, in turn, was be-  
cause of the absence of Mayor Ca-  
milien Houe, Opposition leader.

The absence of the leader, and the  
enforced withdrawal of Mr.  
Duplessis, threw a heavy load on  
the remaining members of the Op-  
position, notably Mr. Sauve and  
Alderic Blain, of Montreal. Mr.  
Sauve, being a veteran of twenty-  
three sessions, and largely confin-  
ing himself to agricultural matters,  
managed very smoothly, but the  
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## Tire Industry Picking Up At Present Time

Mr. G. B. Gordon Stated in  
Letter to Sherbrooke  
Board of Trade that Or-  
ders Diverted to Drum-  
mondville in Order to  
Group Work.

#### EXPLANATIONS

The auto tire industry has passed  
the worst period of its recent de-  
pression, according to the opinion  
expressed by Mr. G. B. Gordon, as-  
sistant to the managing director of  
the Sherbrooke Cottons, Limited,  
in a letter to Mr. Theo Monty, se-  
cretary of the Sherbrooke Board of  
Trade.

Mr. Gordon, in answering ques-  
tions regarding the operation of  
the Sherbrooke Cottons plant here,  
stated that orders for tire fabric  
had been diverted from the Sher-  
brooke to the Drummondville fac-  
tory in order to group the work in  
the two plants. It was only in this  
way, he explained, that the mass  
production of their United States  
competitors could be met.

In regards to the operation of  
the Sherbrooke mill, however, he  
wrote that it was not the intention  
of the company to cut down the  
work at the local plant if it could  
be helped. On the other hand, he  
said, he expected that the two hun-  
dred broad sheeting looms recently  
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### Short Adventure

A young beau and his charming  
damsel, both from Mount Royal  
town, thought they would visit our  
locality they had heard of as be-  
ing so progressive and interesting,  
last week-end, but before they en-  
trained they forgot to inform the  
young lady's parents of their ab-  
sencing from the metropolis. Chief  
of Police Moquin was not slow in  
locating the adventurous doves and  
in insinuating them of the desira-  
bility of their quick return to the  
big city.



## SPORT NEWS

## "SLUGGER" CHAGNON OFFERS FREE SERVICES TO CLUB AS PITCHER

Wants to Show Local Fans and Visiting Players, this Coming Season, Several Tricks He Has in Sleeves, He Declares — Sneak, Ghost and Fast Martha Balls Are His Pet Throws Over the Plate, He Adds.

## AWAITING DRY WEATHER

The management and directors of the Drummondville baseball team will hold a meeting, Friday night, at which several questions pertaining to the organization of the team for this coming summer will be discussed. One of the outstanding questions to come up will probably be the contemplated sale of season tickets as soon as possible. It is a well known fact for those who closely follow baseball here that said season tickets are to a certain extent the very financial basis upon which rests the stability of a baseball club in this town.

Last year's players have all agreed to be on deck this season again and will play under the local colors for no remuneration whatsoever. Such a sacrifice on their part deserves the sincere and practical support of the Drummondville public. The boys are willing to do their share and more, without any other compensation than backing up good and clean sport here, the citizens who enjoy that sport, or who benefit therefrom, because sport is a real civic asset, nowadays, in an industrial centre like ours, should also to their bit in materially and morally encouraging the local team and its officers and players who will spare nothing to maintain the good sportive reputation of our town.

Although "Sluggo" Chagnon offers to the club this year, his free services on the mound, and that it is no more a secret for anyone that his tricky balls would do much to score victories for the locals, it is more than a possibility that the management will decline his kind offer. "Sluggo," it is the general opinion prevailing just now, is more needed as coach on the third base than as twirler. This latter job, it is expected, will still be retained by Eugene Leduc and Henri Lennox, the third baseman last year, will also be seen on the mound, on several occasions. All what is needed now, to make this coming baseball season a success for the local team, is the generous support of the public!

## Football

Encouraged by the spring feeling in the air during the past few days, the various soccer clubs in Sherbrooke and the Eastern Townships are making great strides with their training.

The members of the Sherbrooke United Club have been going through indoor workouts at the Sherbrooke Regiment Army every Saturday afternoon, and some promising material is being developed, many or last year's Regiment team members turning out with several new players to local ranks.

On Tuesday evening the Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium is the rendez-vous of the Quebec Central players.

The Y.M.C.A. men are looking further afield for their games, for in addition to their regular fixtures, they have arranged for a number of outside teams to pay a visit here. The first to visit here will be the Canadian Pacific Recreation Club of Montreal, who will make the trip on May 24th and play at the exhibition grounds in the afternoon.

**D'ville Boys to Box In Farnham**

Kid Hamel and Gerard Chasse, of Drummondville, will be matched against S. Cadieux and Armand Cadieux respectively in a boxing match to take place at Farnham, Monday next, April 14.

There will also be other boxing specialties on the program. Both Cadieux boys are from Farnham, and are known as tough boys. But K. L. Royce, promoter of this match, has confidence in his two men, Kid Hamel and Gerard Chasse.

All those wishing to see a good fight, are invited to attend. Several D'ville fans are expected to be present.

## Baseball

John McGraw, manager of the New York Giants, celebrated his fifty-seventh birthday today in harness. McGraw's party at Evansville, Ind., he hopes, will be at the expense of the Chicago White Sox, who meet the Giants here today in the eleventh game of their spring exhibition series, which started a month ago. The Giants are one up so far, with five victories, four defeats and one tie.

Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Brooklyn Robins, at Macon, Ga., has so many good pitchers that he is having a hard time finding work for all of them during the training season. Hence Robbie, who is reported to have proposed a fifteen innings game with the Boston Braves last week, has arranged another double-header for today. The Robins tackle the Macon Peaches of the Sully League in the first game, with Cy Moore and Buck Newsome scheduled to pitch, then the Yankees and Crackers, of the Southern Association, with Ray Moss and Dolf Luque doing mound duty.

Lou Gehrig, of the New York Yankees, has begun his annual home run pursuit of "Babe" Ruth, and the "Babe" has helped him by sustaining an injury to his right leg that will keep him out of action for about a week. Lou got his first homer of the training season at Dallas, Texas, in the second inning of yesterday's game between the Yanks and Dallas. In the sixth frame Ruth rounded second base sharply and wrenched a leg muscle painfully. He does not expect to play again until the Yankees reach New York, and he is expected while Gehrig has a chance to hit a few more homers and start the season on even terms.

## The Easter Hat Modes



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## Baseball Loop Opens Season On May Fourth

Bedford Plays in Montreal and St. Hyacinthe at Farnham in Opening Fixtures of Quebec Semi-Pro League.

Montreal, Que. — The opening game of the New Quebec semi-professional baseball League is scheduled for May 4th, when Bedford meets Montreal at the Montreal Stadium, while St. Hyacinthe will pay a visit to Farnham on the same day. Five teams compose the loop this season, Montreal, Farnham, St. Hyacinthe, Bedford and Ierville.

The schedule for the season is as follows:—

May 4 — Bedford at Montreal, St. Hyacinthe at Farnham.  
May 11 — Farnham at Montreal, Bedford at Ierville.  
May 18 — Montreal at St. Hyacinthe, Ierville at Bedford.  
May 25 — St. Hyacinthe at Ierville, Bedford at Farnham.  
June 1 — Montreal at Farnham, Bedford at St. Hyacinthe.  
June 8 — St. Hyacinthe at Bedford, Farnham at Ierville.  
June 15 — Farnham at Montreal, Bedford at Ierville.  
June 22 — Bedford at St. Hyacinthe, Ierville at Montreal.  
June 29 — Montreal at Farnham, Ierville at St. Hyacinthe.  
July 6 — Farnham at St. Hyacinthe, Bedford at Bedford.  
July 13 — Montreal at Bedford, St. Hyacinthe at Farnham.  
July 20 — Montreal at Ierville, St. Hyacinthe at Bedford.  
July 27 — Farnham at Montreal, Bedford at Ierville.  
August 3 — Bedford at Farnham, St. Hyacinthe at Bedford.  
August 10 — Ierville at Montreal, Farnham at St. Hyacinthe.  
August 17 — Bedford at Montreal, Ierville at Farnham.  
August 24 — Farnham at Bedford, Montreal at St. Hyacinthe.  
August 31 — Montreal at Ierville, St. Hyacinthe at Bedford.  
September 7 — Farnham at Ierville, St. Hyacinthe at Bedford.  
September 14 — St. Hyacinthe at Montreal, Bedford at Farnham.

## Ostrich Feathers

Ottawa. — When the present up-and-coming generation thinks of an Ostrich it is as of something with its head buried, but there was a day more than twenty years ago when the Ostrich was as proud as the peacock. In fact more Ostrich feathers went to plume millinery hats and ruff — than those of any other bird. Now, the Department of Trade and Commerce learns, Paris fashion arbiters have bought several tons of ostrich feathers and are determined to weave them again into the warp and woof of fashion, including trimmings for gowns.

California today has seen the last of the Chicago Cubs until some time next year. Immediately after springing themselves into a 20 to 5 victory over Hollywood yesterday, the Cubs started for Kansas City, where they will engage the American Association champions on Tuesday.

Yesterday's exercises produced twenty-five hits, including six home runs, two by Woody English.

## Cannon Balls Are Found At Kingston, Ont.

Remains of Skirmish at Lemoine's Point in War of 1812.

Kingston, Ont. — Some months ago, while workers were excavating on the foundation site of a former building at Lemoine's Point, the summer home of W. D. Coward, of New York, president of the Canada Steamships Lines, they found several old cannon balls, and it was presumed that during the War of 1812 the point had been fortified and possibly an engagement had occurred between British land forces and an American warship. Proof that an engagement occurred off the Point, then called Herchmer's Point, is contained in Can- it's records which tell of a skirmish with the enemy (Americans) during the fall of 1813 at that place.

Herchmer's Point was five miles west of Kingston on the Bay of Quinte. The British officers thought the Americans might attempt to land and enter Kingston. A telegraph signal and two cannons had been planted at the Point. From there a fair view of the Upper Canada was leading to Lake Ontario was to be had. Finally one morning the Americans landed in force, composed of four thousand, large and small, and poured off the Upper Gap. A shot was fired by a militiaman there and replied to. A shoemaker, the Simcoe, was chased, but escaped by running over a bar between some islands at Herchmer's Point. She received several shots and sank. The inhabitants along the coast were ordered into the interior (Frontenac county) with all their stock. The American fleet passed along, not far from shore, and the British fish artillery moved along at an equal pace, firing being kept up between them. Caniff's father was present on the occasion and standing a short distance from the shore. The Governor was with the troops and a shot from a ship passed just over him, struck the top rail of a fence nearby and went bounding and plowing up the ground.

The troops reached Kingston as soon as the enemy fleet had departed in a concealed spot behind the jail on ground now occupied by St. George's Cathedral at the corner of King and Johnson streets. Cannon balls were lying about the place were all cut down. The men, however, did not attack, but landed further down the St. Lawrence. The battle of Chrysler's Farm followed, with the complete repulse of the American forces. Close to the spot on Mr. Coward's property where the cannon ball remains of the War of 1812-14 were found, the big elevator of the Canada Steamships Lines is now being built.

## Meningitis' Toll

Ottawa. — During the past year there has been on this continent a more severe outbreak of epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis than at any time since the World War. In general the condition has been more serious in the West than in the East and in fact in some western communities the prevalence of the disease has been alarming.

The age incidence, at least in some communities, has been somewhat higher than is ordinarily the case, though this is not an unusual expectation. There is no question that there have been outbreaks of very marked severity.

It appears to be not sufficiently recognized that cases may occur without characteristic symptoms referable to the central nervous system. Diagnosis in such cases perhaps can be established only by laboratory procedures, either the isolation of meningococci from the blood stream or the finding of the organism in smears or sections from the skin lesions.

Commercial serums and polyvalent serums are used to combat the disease. Medical journals advise complete isolation of the infected person until 14 days after the onset of the disease.

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## Discussion In Frank Manner Is Approved

Archbishop of Canterbury Recommends Increase in Healthy, Natural Recreation Among Young People.

London. — The Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of Canterbury and Primate of England, is glad that the subject of sex, so long shrouded in silence, has been brought into the open for frank discussion. While he approves the healthful airing of the many phases of sex, the Primate, however, sees dangers lurking in the new freedom of expression. He recommends that the scope of unashamed indulgence, and he recommends that the scope of healthy, natural recreation among young people be increased.

I notice the silence on the matter has given place to complete free discussion," said the Primate. "In my judgment, this is a great improvement. In the old days, silencing one of the necessary natural interests — especially to the young — within. In some cases, it was driven with and waited to find any natural, spontaneous expression. It became an obsession or else was a matter for discussion in the most cynical and scornful manner. I would rather have all the risks we run from the few discourses than from the far greater risks arising from a conspiracy of silence."

"I rejoice to see that many of the old purely conventional and prudish reactions have been broken down and that our young people meet together in terms of perfect frankness and equality. Another change in the moral question. It has become so much more positive and so much less negative in outlook than was formerly the case."

"But in the new freedom of relation between the sexes there are dangers lurking. Modern devices and discoveries have brought into that freedom a new and insidious factor to corrupt and disturb it. Codes of our young people, of both sexes, who are supposed to be living an outwardly respectable life, are habitually indulging in a manner which would have shamed the conscience of men in the past and would have brought most disastrous and pitiful consequences to girls. Therefore, we must 'enlarge the scope of healthful recreation.'"

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## Not Far Distant?

Ottawa. — The Parliamentary session got under way with a rush suggestive of brevity but stumbled on a series of snags which promise nothing better than a mid-session prorogation and suggest general acceptance of the belief that the election is not far away. Resolutions dealing with every local and general election cry have been put on the order paper in the scramble to get on with the written record as in favor of this, or as opposed to that, before polling day.

The Government has given no further intimation of its intentions but the legislative program, as it develops, shows that the road is being paved for dissolution just as soon as the outlook is propitious.

Social and paternal legislation is urged by both oppositions in aid to health work, to technical education, to the continuing of agriculture and to returned men. There was a moment when it appeared that Mr. King was flirting with the idea of unemployment insurance when he told a delegation from the western Provinces he expected it would come presently.

He largely dispelled the illusion the following day by indicating that he believed the measure to fall under the Provinces. No one of the Provinces can act without all the rest in such a cause or it would be swamped with the unemployed of the whole Dominion each winter. An interprovincial conference with the Dominion on the subject is hinted at but it is unlikely before the general election.

Mr. Dunning is said to have his budget drafted but its contents remain a secret within the cabinet until its presentation. Tariff cuts on certain motor cars are hinted at, as are increases in both preferential and general duties on butter, eggs and cheese. "Tax changes will be all designed to attract the voter with the least possible dislocation of revenues. Some difficulty is in the fact that revenues are likely to be automatically contrite quite materially as a result of the stock market crash and the wheat situation which have lessened buying power and slowed up business generally."

A hick town is a place where the man with a fresh shine on Wednesday is a travelling salesman.

## Rubber Demand Nears Production

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### A Decline In Immigration To Dominion

For Eleven Months Period Under Review, Figures Show Decrease of Just More Than 4,000 as Compared With Same Period in Previous Year.

Ottawa. — Immigration to Canada during the eleven months, ended February 28th last, showed a decrease of just more than 4,000 persons, when compared with the same period a year ago. Of 148,712 persons who came to the Dominion during the 1929-30 period under review, 60,644 were of British origin, 28,518 from the United States and 59,551 from other countries. For the same period of 1928-29, total immigration was 152,911 of which 59,749 came from Britain, 27,861 from the United States and 71,781 from other countries.

A statement issued today by the Department of Immigration and Colonization shows that Ontario received the greatest portion of the 1929-30 immigrant flow, 56,277 persons settling within provincial boundaries. Manitoba ranked second with 33,342. Figures for the other provinces follow: Quebec, 22,241; Alberta, 18,791; Saskatchewan, 9,955; British Columbia, 8,057; New Brunswick, 2,938; Nova Scotia, 2,155; Prince Edward Island, 125. The Yukon Territory received seventy-five new settlers and the Northwest Territories six.

### Question of Canadian Flag Is Discussed

Opinion Expressed that Adoption of Flag Might Indicate Some Dissatisfaction With Present Position of This Country Within Empire.

Ottawa. — For Canada to adopt another flag beside the Union Jack might indicate or suggest some dissatisfaction with the present position of this country within the Empire, Robert E. Smith, member of Parliament for Cumberland County, N. S., told members of an Ottawa service club he addressed.

Mr. Smith said he did not think there was any such feeling prevalent in Canada. The idea of a separate republic was far from the thoughts of the majority of Canadians who realized that as such Canada would achieve, at best, a struggling individuality, and become a target for large nations.

Commercialism, he believed, was the key to advancement in any country. The commercial instincts of the English people were largely responsible for their patriotism. The Union Jack had been made the emblem of fair dealing and commercial sincerity in every country.

### Many Millions For Pensions, Says Minister

Over \$55,000,000 in Estimates for Relief of Ex-Servicemen, Declares Dr. J. H. King — Prefers Keeping Men in Homes Rather Than Hospitals.

Ottawa, Ont. — Canada will spend \$55,000,000 this year in pensions, treatment and re-establishment of ex-soldiers, according to Hon. Dr. J. H. King. Statement to this effect was made by the Minister of Pensions and National Health in addressing the Ottawa Young Liberal Club Wednesday. The appreciation of the maelstrom recently introduced in the House of Commons by Dr. King in regard to soldiers' pensions was expressed in a resolution adopted by the meeting. The bill, said Dr. King, was vastly different from similar legislation in other countries in that it sought to give grants to disabled soldiers to keep them in their homes rather than to uphold the old fashioned idea of segregating them in hospitals.

### Importance of Fur Ranches Is Stressed

Efficiently Operated, Fenced-In Ranches Declared to Represent Only Assured Future of Fur Industry.

Winnipeg, Man. — Efficiently operated, fenced-in fur ranches were declared to represent the only assured future of the fur industry in Manitoba by C. H. French, commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company, speaking to the Legislature, when the government's new game and fisheries bill was under discussion.

Proprietors of fur ranches should be free to dispose of pelts without restriction of closed season, Mr. French said. The muskrat rancher should be allowed to kill at any time he thought best, just as the farmer is unrestricted in the killing of the sheep. Population of muskrat moves in cycles, the commissioner said. Unless they are killed when the crop is numerous, they will die off in large numbers when a period of drought destroys their food.

A bright future for the independent trapper was painted by Phillip V. Locke, appearing on behalf of the Game Breeders' Association of Manitoba. The small trapper will in a few years become the well-paid, well-housed employee of the large fur rancher, Mr. Locke objected strongly to preservation of public shooting grounds.

On the other hand, Dr. H. L. Merkley, who said he was interested in a large fur ranch in the province, is very much in favor of public shooting grounds. Certain areas should be set aside for the purpose, he thought. The bill will receive further discussion before the committee on Thursday.

### One-Sail Ship Is Now Safe At Havana Harbor

Norwegian Ship Making Trip to Raise Funds for Amundsen Memorial — Will Visit United States, Then Sail Back to Norway.

Havana. — Emulating the historic voyage of Christopher Columbus, when, with three small caravels, he departed from Port Palos in Southern Spain in search of Gt. Gungo and Cathay and by accident discovered the New World, now the Western Hemisphere, a fifteen-ton one-sail ship, the Roald Amundsen, named after the Norwegian explorer, arrived here Thursday afternoon from Port Palos, after two forty-two days' navigation filled with perils and thrills.

The vessel is commanded by Captain Gurh Folger, a veteran of the sea and a personal friend of Mr. Amundsen. It is a replica of the famous ships used by the Vikings, and also by the French and British pirates in their attacks on Spanish galleons returning laden with gold and treasures from the new world. A large funnel gives the craft the appearance of being propelled by steam, but the only purpose it serves is to carry smoke from the galley. Her salon is decorated with oil paintings, including one of Mr. Amundsen and a reproduction of the Battle of Sticklestad, fought in Norway 900 years ago.

The vessel is on an expedition from the Old to the New World, having started from Oslo June 10 last. The purpose of the trip is to collect funds to erect a monument to perpetuate the memory of Roald Amundsen.

Two storms tossed the craft and threatened to claim the lives of the five men aboard during the passage from the Atlantic into the Gulf of Mexico. They will go to the ports of South and Central America, up the west coast of the United States to Alaska and back to Norway.

The crew were the guests of the Norwegian Legation here last night.

### Much Overdone

Ottawa. — At a recent convention of the National Canner's Association and the National Wholesale Growers' Association, Dr. Paul B. Dunbar was the speaker and he said that the term "health giving" was the most overworked and most loosely applied expression in advertising.

"Did you ever stop to think," he said, "how broad the significance of these words really is? 'Health' says the Standard Dictionary, 'is the condition of soundness of any living organism; that state in which all the natural functions are performed freely without pain or disease; freedom from sickness and decay.' Logically, therefore, a health-giving product should be capable of creating this condition of health, of restoring the halt, the lame and the blind, of remedying every human disease from chilblains to cancer."

### Safety Device Did Not Prove Very Helpful

In Spite of Newly Installed Device to Protect Bank from Robbers, Four Men Armed With Machine Gun Made Getaway With \$48,418.

Cincinnati, O. — Before the ink dried on a contract closed by a salesman who sold the cashier in the Reading Bank a device to protect the bank from robbers, four men armed with machine guns and a sawed-off shot gun rubbed the institution of \$48,418 yesterday. The bravery of a grocer, Frank Gais, who single-handed opened fire on the quartette, prevented the robbers from obtaining an additional \$10,000, which was within easy reach. The robbers fled as soon as Gais, standing in his store opposite the bank, fired upon them. The robbers trained the machine gun upon Gais but the shots were ineffective.

Edwin E. Mayer, Pittsburgh, the salesman, was one of the three persons trapped within the bank by the robbers. He had just sold S. A. Green, cashier, a device which would spurt gas into robbers' faces from the top of the cashier's cage, when a tall, slender man slipped up behind him and asked "where's the key to the cash door?"

### Conditions in Dominion Well Above Average

Of Ten Indices Reported, No Less Than Seven Show Higher Scale of Activity Than Five-Year Average.

Ottawa. — The general range of Canadian business is still well above the average of the last five years, which were in themselves a period of almost unqualified advance. Out of ten indices reported by the Bureau of Statistics for February and March no less than seven showed a higher scale of activity than the average of the previous quinquennium. Of the three exceptions, two are explained by the disturbed state of the grain trade which still continues.

In the table which follows the average of the index during the past five years (1925-29) is taken as one hundred and the latest index for the present year is given as a percentage on that base. The results are:

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Fig iron.....	122
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Coal.....	90
Coke.....	128

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### No Saturation of Market for Cars

Ottawa. — Having advanced to a point where the mechanical element is a secondary factor in the selection of its product and where beauty and comfort and minor innovations are the foremost attractions, the automobile industry enters 1930 with an important asset — reputation — that will go a long way in assuring its stability and realizing its enormous potentialities.

Despite the phenomenal development in the automobile in the last 20 years, the number of potential new owners is greater than it was in 1910, when the auto vehicle was still a novelty, for the population of the world increases in proportion to the new car production by approximately three persons to one automobile.

If the ratio of cars to population in the United States could be applied to the world as a possible indication of the world market, there would be approximately 200,000,000 cars in use, or sales potentialities for over 150,000,000 cars, excluding replacements which in the domestic field replace the majority of sales.

The replacement possibilities should be greater now than ever before in the history of the industry. Approximately 10,000,000 cars in operation are more than five years old and have been succeeded in that time by the most revolutionary advancements since the inception of the self starter. The unanimous adoption of the hand gear shift, the tendency toward the larger motor, improvements in lighting control, the standardized equipment of balloon tires, and a host of other changes have combined to make the 1925 and earlier model cars more subject to replacement.

### Subterranean Cave District Was Explored

Leader of Carlsbad Cavern Expedition Enthusiastic About Bizarre Beauties Discovered.

New York — Frank Ernest Nicholson, leader of the Carlsbad Cavern Expedition, has returned to New York from New Mexico after exploring a hitherto unknown subterranean cave territory stretching to a distance of ten miles beyond the twenty-one miles already known to exist. During his four weeks' exploration, Mr. Nicholson found a new deep level of 1,350 feet and a new high level of 200 feet.

Basing his deductions on geological formations in the lower parts of the cavern, Mr. Nicholson estimated the huge underground cave to be about 40,000,000 years old. The expedition discovered the bed of an ancient "lost" river, stretched for four miles from huge boulder formations along a prehistoric dune beach. Explorations revealed a new deep level 350 feet below the one previously established. The probability of important asbestos deposits was seen among the many mineral varieties observed. An absolute lack of plant life was observed. The searchers observed horned owls, crickets and at least a variety of birds, in addition to millions of bats. The skeleton of an animal, about the size of a police dog, was found in one of the cavern chambers. A new cave was discovered not far from the big Carlsbad Cavern.

Mr. Nicholson said that the animal skeleton, which he thought may be that of a cave bear, is to be shipped to New York in order that it may be reconstructed and identified. At present tourists penetrate to a distance of seven miles into the cavern, but Mr. Nicholson hoped, through his discoveries, to add another three miles for the popular sight-seeking route.

He described how he had been suspended for hours over a seemingly bottomless pit, with precarious foothold on either side of a small opening.

"I believe," he said, "that a suitable opening can easily be made, that the short stretch can be bridged and that this will lead to a new cavern territory, the size of which we can only conjecture about."

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### Tariff Problems

Ottawa. — From Edmonton comes the news that the Alberta Federation of Labor wants a prohibitive duty against the dumping of West Virginia coal into Winnipeg and other centres in their efforts to keep Alberta Coal out of the eastern markets. The resolution, following on the heels of a discussion of unemployment, was sent to the Federal government.

The Canadian Horticultural Council has sent to the Prime Minister another resolution, asking that: "In order that the producers of perishable products in the Dominion may be assured of a market for such products that will allow a fair return on the cost of production, together with a reasonable profit thereon that the Dominion Government be urged to enact legislation, by way of provision for special duty, to prevent the sale in our markets of the products of foreign countries at such prices as will not permit of the said return to producers in this country." Which simply means that they want an anti-dumping duty against fruit and vegetables, and is meant to be a seasonable tariff.

The Dominion Automobile Dealers' Association also wants duty increased on used cars coming into Canada, to prevent their dumping by American dealers who can purchase a larger number of cars at lower prices than are available to his Canadian competitor.

Again references for increased duty to the tariff board for February, include inverted sugar syrups, hair pins, shoe horns, needles, cotton yarns and wigs and resins.

The Canadian Bean Growers and Dealers' Association are asking for an increase from 25 cents to \$1.20 per bushel in duty on dried beans which they say cannot at present be grown profitably on account of competition resulting from the use of cheap labor in foreign countries.

Dr. Draper and R. S. Montreal, were here Saturday.

Mr. Pepin and her two daughters, Mrs. O. Morel, mother.

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### First Wheat by Hudson Bay

Ottawa. — Lord Willingdon, Governor General of Canada, made a presentation last week to the Dominion Archives of a small bag of wheat, containing about a pound of excellent grain, which had been sent him by the Hudson Bay Company. The bag was marked No. 1.

It is judged that Lord Willingdon was the first to receive a sample of the wheat. At the same time the Dominion Archives received a sample of wheat marked No. 1.

The letter which accompanied the sample which was sent the Dominion Archives is of interest to Canadians at the present time and will be interesting history for generations to come. The letter reads:

London, Jan. 3rd, 1930  
Dr. A. G. Doughty,  
Dominion Archives, Ottawa,  
Dear Sir,

We have pleasure in sending for your acceptance a sample of Canadian wheat 1929 crop being part of the first shipment by the new railway from the Prairies via Hudson Bay to the United States Kingdom.

This shipment, prepared by Messrs. James Richardson and Sons, Ltd., of Winnipeg, was made possible by the courtesy of Hon. Charles Dunning, Canadian Minister of Railways, who kindly gave facilities for the use of the temporary rails as soon as they were ready for operation in the month of September. The permanent way, the terminal works, the docks and grain elevators are in course of construction and will all be ready for operation when the harbor works are completed in 1931.

This event will open a new chapter in the history of Churchill so named in 1888 in honor of John Churchill the first Duke of Marlborough and governor of Hudson Bay Company from 1685 to 1691. The selection of this port as the terminus of the railway adds interest to the following extracts from the Company's record.

London Minute Book, 13th October, 1686: "Captain Abraham, late Governor at Port Nelson, came before the committee accompanying him of his proceedings here & how he did ye last Spring sayle 50 Leagues northward of Port Nelson & discovered there a faire river. Ordered he bring in writing the said discovery."

London Minute Book, 8th February 1688: "This committee does resolve and agree as followeth: That the Churchill River be settled this year with a good shippe a competent cargo for Trade and Materials for White Whale fishings."

Churchill Report of Chief Factor, Thomas Staines, 1797: "The harbour of Churchill is the finest in the bay, for the ship, and where her cargoes could be the soonest discharged."

Yours faithfully,  
Charles V. Sale, Governor.  
The shipping tag which accompanies the bag contains an interesting note and reads: "For over 230 years the vessels of the Hudson Bay Company have made their annual voyages from Great Britain to the shores of the Hudson Bay."

The construction of a new railway to the interior opens a new era in transportation to and from the Prairie Provinces and to mark this event the Hudson Bay Company have transported this wheat from Winnipeg over the temporary rails of the Hudson Bay Company (by the courtesy of Hon. Charles Dunning, Minister of Railways) to Churchill, thence on tracks to Liverpool where it was landed by the Company's steam ship Nascopie on the 10th of October, 1929.

Fishermen and grass widows are persons who hope they'll have better luck next time.

Some married people slam doors when they feel that way and some have children to kick.

In bridge a good deal depends upon the player and the player depends on a good deal.

Attention was called to the facilities like the steam engine, post office, telegraph, the cable, radio and the press which have made the world smaller and smaller each year so that "the unity of humankind is becoming possible through modern invention and through the discovery of certain universal laws applicable everywhere when brought under control."

DAME OF ATHENS  
Following the protocols Rev. John H. Huhman will give a message "A practical Exposition of the Apostle Paul's Discourse on Mrs. Hill." — Lima (Ohio) paper.

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## Figures Show Canada Making Good Progress

Dominion Recovering from Usual Midwinter Seasonal Depression in Industry and Commerce Much More Rapidly Than United States.

Ottawa. — Canada is recovering from the usual mid-winter seasonal depression in industry and commerce much more rapidly than the United States. In its monthly review of business statistics, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports the physical volume of business in Canada was uneven during February, with a moderate advance after seasonal adjustment being shown in manufacturing production. The index of manufactures in Canada, after adjustment for seasonal tendencies, was 153.6 in January. In the United States, however, general business was practically maintained in February at the level of the preceding month.

Receipts of wheat at the head of the lake and Pacific coast ports in February were in excess of normal for the month, and exports of wheat at 8,800,000 bushels were greater than in January, it is revealed in reports of the Statistical Bureau. The railway freight movement showed, after seasonal adjustment, a moderate increase over the preceding month.

Production of the furniture industry in Canada was valued at \$41,825,534 in 1928, an increase of more than \$6,000,000 over the preceding year. The Canadian furniture industry supplies over ninety-four per cent of the total sales of furniture in the Dominion, as imports in 1928 amounted to under \$3,000,000 and exports totalled \$352,472. The hat and cap industry, with a capital investment of \$8,164,615, had a gross production of \$16,972,196; and the fur farm-

## An Increase In Exports To U.S. In Past Year

Domestic Exports Increased from \$494,508,000 to \$521,640,000, While Imports Advanced from \$850,206,000 to \$869,194,000.

Ottawa. — Exports from Canada to the United States increased at a greater rate than imports from that country, according to figures for the twelve months ending February 28th published at the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Compared with the previous similar period, domestic exports mounted from \$494,508,000 to \$521,640,000, while imports advanced from \$850,206,000 to \$869,194,000. Exports of foreign origin moved up from \$21,153,000 to \$22,165,000.

The most pronounced increase in exports was in metals other than iron, which went up to \$100,810,000 from \$88,808,000. Exports of wood and paper advanced from \$235,802,000 to 240,432,000 while iron and its products increased from \$10,264,000 to \$12,000,000.

In imports from the United States the largest reduction was in iron and its products, which were down to \$296,845,000 from \$308,637,000.

Trade with the United Kingdom in the period under review shows less in both imports and exports. Imports amounted to \$190,267,000 as against \$194,553,000 in the preceding twelve months. Exports were down to \$285,332,000 from \$335,289,000. The effect of the wheat situation is shown by the drop in exports of agricultural and vegetable products from \$330,879,000 to \$189,397,000. Among imports from the United Kingdom the heaviest reduction was in fibres and textiles, which were down to \$68,850,000 from \$78,013,000.

ing industry, with a capital investment of \$16,113,003, had a total revenue in 1928 of \$6,106,105.

## Another Royal Personage Has Passed Away

Queen Victoria of Sweden Died Last Week at Rome, Following Long Illness from Pulmonary Complaints.

Rome. — Queen Victoria, of Sweden, by her sympathetic, charitable and genuinely unselfish nature, earned the affectionate titles of "model mother" and "mother of the land," passed away peacefully here last week, following the long illness from pulmonary complaints.

Sophia Maria Victoria was born at Karlsruhe, in Baden, Germany, August 7, 1862, the only daughter of Grand Duke Frederick of Baden and the Grand Duchess Louise, a daughter of Emperor William I. She, therefore, was a first cousin of the former kaiser of Germany. Being a granddaughter of Sophia, Princess of Sweden, her marriage to Gustaf effected a union between the Bernadotte dynasty and the ancient Swedish royal house of Vasa.

Her husband became king Gustaf V of Sweden on December 8, 1907, upon the death of his father, King Oscar II. Queen Victoria shared the democratic views of the king and was said to have encouraged him in his refusal to endure any coronation pomp in the ceremony which elevated them to the thrones. Their coronation often has been compared in its simplicity to the inauguration of a president of the United States. Thereafter, this royal couple were hailed as the most democratic rulers of Europe.

They became acquainted when Crown Prince Gustaf was attending the German army maneuvers at Strassburg in the autumn of 1879. Their betrothal was announced on March 12, 1881, and their wedding took place at Karlsruhe on September 20 of the same year. A few days later when Gustaf and Victoria arrived in Sweden they were received with one of the most enthusiastic demonstrations ever given a royal couple in that country. Their trip from Gothenburg to Stockholm was a triumphal one in which peasants and nobles vied in showing their approval of the choice of the crown prince. Victoria had learned the Swedish language and after a few years it scarcely could have been recognized that she was not a native of her adopted country.

## PROVINCES ARE READY TO HELP WHEAT POOLS

To Assure Stability in General Business Circles and to Protect Interests of Producers and Public at Large, Three Prairie Provinces Pledge Their Support.

Winnipeg. — To assure stability in general business circles and to protect the interest of the producers and public at large, Manitoba, in agreement with the provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta, yesterday took action guaranteeing financial support, if necessary, to the wheat pools of western Canada.

Following up his statement of last week that the Government of the Prairie Provinces were prepared to pledge their resources for the protection of the cooperative marketing organizations and business interests against possible adverse reaction to the stock brokerage situation, Premier John Bracken, in the Legislative outlined the protective measure taken.

Mr. Bracken announced that the Government of Manitoba is prepared to guarantee Manitoba's share of advances to the wheat pool to the extent of 15 per cent security over and above the advances made by the "lending banks," and declared that the provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta "were in complete agreement and are acting similarly."

The Premier, in his lengthy statement, made it clear that the Government is not disturbed by the soundness of the market nor the financial conditions of the wheat pools. Neither is the Government proposing to engage in wheat speculations on margins or otherwise, nor is it making any effort to protect speculators in grain.

The action the Government has taken, said the Premier, is solely for the position to allay any possible apprehension that the banks might have regarding the pools' margins, and thus enable the cooperative organizations fully to protect the producers of avoiding any liquidation upon panicky, unduly or artificially depressed markets.

**FRONT LINE TRENCH**  
"Gracious," said the doctor, "How did you get those awful bruises on your shins? Are you a hockey player?" "Oh no, I just led back my wife's weak suit." Detroit News.

**WHY THE TRAFFIC JAMS**  
"I hate those impromptu complexions, don't you?"  
"What do you mean?"  
"Those who make up as they go along." London Opinion.

## Could Not Live Without Ocean, It Is Claimed

Beneficent Role of Great Waters Described by Maritime Biologist — World Has Little Conception of Riches Sheltered in Depths of Sea.

Toronto, Ont. — All things come from the sea and without the great waters human life could not continue for a day. This point was strongly brought out at a lecture recently given before the Royal Canadian Society by Prof. A. G. Huntsman, director of the Atlantic Biological Station at St. Andrews, N. B.

The ocean's reservoir of heat keeps the earth's surface at a temperature suitable to life, said the speaker. The ocean is called upon by the moisture-seeking rays of the sun to feed the clouds and the clouds water the crops, provide drink for beast and man, turn the great wheels of power plants and perform the everlasting service of keeping the air moist.

The world has little conception of the riches sheltered in the depth of the sea which Professor Huntsman likened to the inexhaustible purse of Fortunatus — inexhaustible and comparatively unexplored. Man used to regard the ocean as a terror and a "waste"; he feared to drop over its edges, yet today he has brought the waves under his control and uses the broad ocean highways for cheap transportation throughout the world.

The ocean's surface is seventy per cent of the earth's surface and its volume is calculated at 300,000,000 cubic miles. It could cover the entire earth to a depth of more than a mile and a half, if spread over the globe. The ocean is far from a dead, inert mass. It is living, always in circulation replenishing its stores and defying exploitation to drain it of its riches.

Thousands of millions of tons of gold and silver are scattered throughout the waters, remarked the professor, and yet these cannot, so far, be extracted profitably for the minerals are not in the form of nuggets or lodes but are dissolved in the water. Nickel, copper and zinc are also known to be present in the sea. So it is often true that when one scoops up a little seawater in the hand there is gold there but in this case, of course, in such infinitesimal quantity that it could not be measured by any human device.

The sea is the main source of common salt and in its weeds particularly, is to be found iodine, a necessary element to drinking water and an element which can be, and is, extracted. The biological station director gave an account of the fisheries of the Maritime provinces and cited the herring as an outstanding example of a fish whose numbers can least be limited by man's effort. On the coast of southern New Brunswick the herring are taken while still very young and in enormous quantities yet there seems to be not the slightest dwindling of the supply. Even the throwing open of the spawning grounds to fishermen has been without observable ill effects. The herring is able to use as food a variety of small floating stuff and in certain regions can reproduce its kind with invariable and overwhelming success. All regions of the sea, however, are not equally able to produce and renew large stocks of fish. Oysters, for instance, need several years to grow.

## Dirigibles Fight for Place in Fore

Ottawa. — Radical developments in air transportation are forecast for the next two years and in that period the dirigible is likely to establish its position as a factor in distance aviation for the next decade.

Two great British dirigibles — greater in size, speed and carrying capacity than the Graf Zeppelin — have completed their tests and announcement is awaited of the schedules for their respective flights to Canada and India. Both are intended for regular service between Canada and Britain and India and Britain and by their success or failure from utilitarian as well as commercial standpoints confidence in this type of air career will largely stand or fall.

Efforts will be made to have the machine routed to Canada continue west to the Pacific, though there is some difficulty over the lack of mooring masts.

While the British machines are demonstrating their efficiency, Germany has commenced manufacturing another Zeppelin designed to outstrip them and dwarfing the Graf, which is thus far the most successful of lighter than air carriers. In the United States army dirigibles are being carefully studied so that during the next two years the practicality of the dirigible, or its handicaps, will pretty definitely establish its status under present engineering practice.

## More Interest Is Being Taken In Sculpture

Canadian Sculptress Finds Inspiration in Canadian Scenes for Her Work.

Toronto, Ont. — There is a sculptor society of Canada, new fully-established and actually functioning. There are a number of sculptors scattered throughout the Dominion and every important exhibition includes a so-called sculpture section, yet the question arises: "Is there such a thing as Canadian sculpture?" Whatever has been seen, during the last ten months, in the nation-wide exhibitions of art tends to narrow the field of Canadian sculpture to a very scant beginning.

While Canadian painters draw their inspiration and much of their style from a purely Canadian background and environment, Canadian sculptors are still doing goodly work which hails from the art school and could be seen anywhere without any chance of it betraying the country or particularly atmosphere in which it was created.

There is perhaps one exception to this general non-identity of sculpture in Canada and it is to be found in the work of Elizabeth Wood, of Toronto, who was represented by three pieces of work at the 58th Annual Exhibition of the Ontario Society of Artists. She alone seems to have found an inspiration in her own background and country for the work she produces. She combines imagination with a true feeling for plastic art and an adequate understanding of the value of the three dimensions in sculpture work.

Indeed other sculpture throughout Canada are creating pieces of work not altogether indifferent. In portrait studies, in the class of imaginative compositions, in the descriptive style and in some cases in more monumental achievements one finds, here and there, pieces that have sculptural merit. Emanuel Hahn, Henri Hebert, Florence Wyle Francis Loring, Suzor-Cote are undoubtedly equally serious in their approach to sculpture, although they individually differ in moods and intention yet when looking for a Canadian art expression one has to turn to this silent, puzzling little woman, Elizabeth Wood. Her figure compositions drift away from the academic viewpoint as much as her interpretations of nature themes. She is a born sculptor and her temperament is distinctly an artist's temperament.

## Madame Albani...

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Chambly, near Montreal, on November 1, 1852. The early teachings of her father a man of excellent musical tastes, if not of great ability, gained for her a reputation as a player of the piano, organ and harp even before her singing was noticed.

Her voice first attracted attention while she was a student at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, at Montreal. Soon afterward the family moved to Albany, N. Y., where at the age of fifteen, Marie Emma became organist and choir director of an Albany church. In this city she made her first public appearance as a singer. Friends noticed the child musician was gifted with a remarkable voice and she was urged and assisted to begin the study of singing under the best masters available in Albany. She pursued her studies, later going to Europe for work under teachers in Paris and Milan.

Her debut was made in 1870 at Messina, Sicily, in the opera "La Sonnambula." Her triumph there brought her to Florence and so on to the heights of her career.

## Session of Legislature...

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task of Mr. Blain was extremely difficult, especially under certain trying circumstances, and the general manner in which he acquitted himself finally won for him the esteem of the whole House.

The strain upon Mr. Blain was specially heavy, because in the absence of Mr. Duplessis, he was the only lawyer of the Opposition, and the daily experience here illustrates the necessity of a reasonable "sprinkling" of lawyers.

In the way of direct progress, the Government did considerable in the matter of bridges, providing for the construction of a bridge between Lachine and Caughnawaga, for one from Ile Bizard to Laval sur le Lac, and for one across the Gaspé Narrows.

Five additional counties were added to the membership of the Legislative Assembly, making the total ninety, the new creations being all rural.

In the matter of health, Hon. Athanase David, in addition to carrying with his colleagues the heavy burden of school problems, brought in legislation which is designed to give even easier facilities to the rural counties for the establishment of county health units. A step forward was ably made by the Minister in the matter of providing more adequate school inspection facilities, the number of inspectors being increased. Educational and health advancement is also in the bill which Hon. Mr. David put through to provide \$50,000 a year for the creation of a biological institute attached to Laval University, which will be affiliated with the Pasteur Institute, and a measure of credit for this creation must go to Dr. Anatole Plante, M. L. A. for Mercier, Montreal, who took the matter up on the floor of the House early in the session.

At last we know the dead can't style biographies. If they could, the new-ing with the

A grant of \$250,000 to Bishop's College University was another educational landmark, especially for advancement of English education.

That the Government does not intend to mark time as regards problems of social insurance is indicated in the law to provide for the creation of a commission to study all such matters.

The cause of women made notable advance, even though there was no legislation; but the two reports of the commission which studied the status of women under the Civil Code went a long way towards meeting the views of the women's organization, and it may be taken for granted that the resulting legislation will come down next session.

A slight gain was marked for the cause of women's suffrage the vote rising to twenty-four in favor of granting the vote, but beyond that there were shown no signs that the province, generally speaking, as represented in the Assembly, has changed in sentiment in the matter.

## Unemployment Bill...

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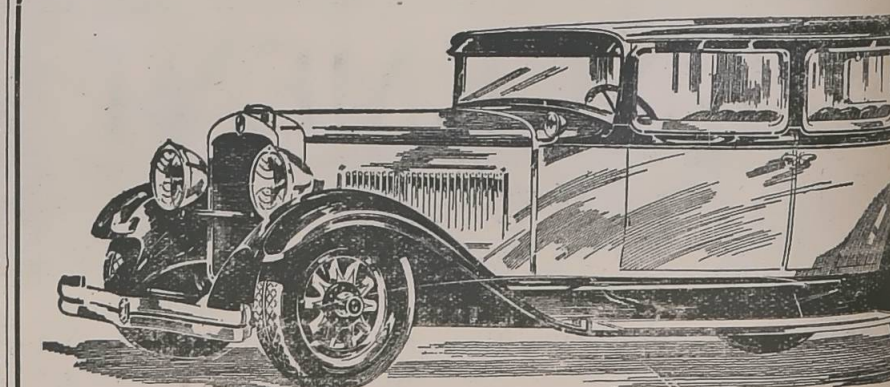
Minister of the Government was prepared to endorse the candidacy of Thomas Reed, a Liberal, in New Westminster. Mr. Reed having declared that he stood for higher protection for Canadian industry. As only laughter from the Liberal benches met this query the Speaker, to the merriment of the chamber, said to Mr. McQuarrie: "This will stand as an order for return." Then Mr. McQuarrie proceeded to ask Premier King about his attitude toward another Liberal candidate in his province when he was interrupted by the Speaker who reminded him that "the time of the House is too precious at this period."

ALBERTA SEEKS AID.  
Taking issue with the statement of Hon. Peter Heenan that none of the provinces, except Manitoba, had refused to assume full responsibility for unemployment, H. E. Spencer (U. F. A., Battle River) said in the House of Commons that Alberta had asked the Federal Government for assistance. He read a statement made by Premier Brownlee, urging aid from the Dominion Government.

The solution of the unemployment problem did not lie in high tariffs, he continued. Tariffs only handicapped agriculture, the basic industry of the country, forcing more people to leave the farms and flock to the cities, where they swelled the ranks of the unemployed.

Cal. G. R. Geary (Conservative, Toronto South) announced that he proposed to support the amendment moved by Mr. Heaps. While he thought that one of the main contributing causes of the unemployment situation was to be found in the fiscal policy of the Government, he did not propose to discuss this phase of the matter. It must be taken and proven, he thought, that there was a serious unemployment situation. The Minister of Labor agreed with this, although the Prime Minister was disposed to deny it.

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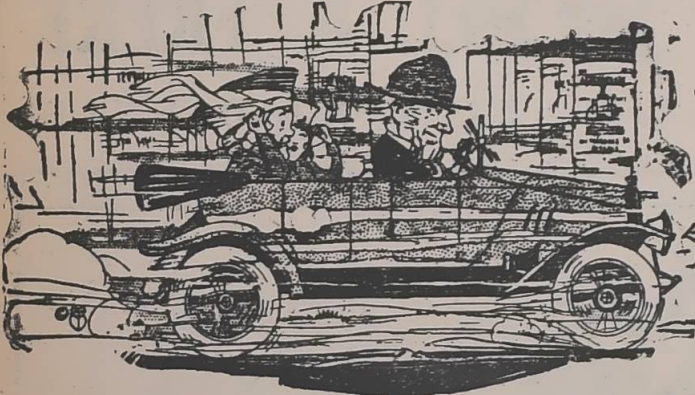
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