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SCIENCE AND POLITICS

When Edmund Burke, pointing to the reporters' gallery in the house of commons, said that there sat a Fourth Estate more important by far than all the other three, he could not have dreamed that the press would so fully justify his appraisal of its place in countries where parliamentary government obtains.

But since the days of Burke there has risen a group of men and women scattered among all the civilized nations who have deserved to be ranked as the Fifth Estate — the world's men and women of science. Their meetings in the past few years in the cultural centres of the world have brought their services to the attention of the public.

Numerically this Fifth Estate has always been feeble and insignificant, but not more so than the Fourth Estate was when Burke made his memorable gesture. It is estimated they number not more than 100,000 in all the world. Its political influence is nil and yet it has recast civilization through its study and application of the fundamental facts and laws of nature.

When its members sit in congress, as they do rarely, they sit in the gallery as mere onlookers. And yet this Estate possesses qualities of incalculable advantage to the public if they could be and were utilized. One wonders whether participation of the Fifth Estate in government would not be more advantageous to all than the participation of those representing a special interest, even though it be as extensive an interest as labor.

Why is it so many men of science and literature look upon politics as outside their sphere and neither seek nor are sought after for public office? Is it because they have so few opinions in common with the representative voter and know they could not be elected, or is it that they are so interested in science and art they are content to let others govern them?

A FORTUNE IN THIS

Man's day is triple; a work day which has been shortened; a leisure day which has been correspondingly lengthened; and a sleep day which, so far as is definitely known, has been neither shortened nor lengthened with the progress of mankind.

Greater mental activity, artificial light, more diversions, and the noises and distractions of the city may have subtracted something from the sleep period of millions. But it may be that modern man needs more sleep to knit up "the raveled sleeve of care" for the ravage is greater in this day of high-speed living than when man found it easier to make a living and less to do when he was not engaged in the actual business of earning money.

It would be interesting to know how many hours the savage sleeps as compared with the chemist who proposes a chemical substitute for sleep.

Science has come to look upon the body as a collection of elements whose reactions determine the physical state of man's being. This has led the chemist to consider the diet which may best supply what the body needs and has suggested to them the idea of discovering or creating a catalyst that will so resolve and recombine the elements which sleep has alone been able to convert from the poisonous to the benign that man may have longer days without lessened years.

No other discovery would work such a revolution in human society. It would fatigue the imagination to try to think of the social changes which would follow the discovery of a synthetic substitute for sleep.

Though man for ages has assumed

that sleep was forordained as a blessing to mankind, the scientist who makes sleep unnecessary will be blessed even more than "the man who first invented sleep."

EVOLUTION OF TOWNS

What is the secret of some of our neighboring towns? Why have they enjoyed a steady growth, economic stability and preeminence among communities equal or larger in population?

There must be a reason or reasons for the magnetic powers exerted by them in attracting new citizens and recalling those few old residents temporarily relinquished.

Patriotism, community loyalty and civic pride may blind some to the advantages of other towns and to the defects of their "old home town," but they alone cannot and do not account for the high esteem in which their community is held by the traveler and its own citizenry. There is some inspiration back of the extravagant praises of even the most enthusiastic civic booster.

Isn't the real secret of the success of these towns as a community the fact that they have, from their earliest beginnings, recognized and confessed their imperfections? A good diagnosis is half the cure. By being first in detecting their "sins of commission and omission" these communities have been first in doing what they should do and in ceasing to do what they shouldn't do.

Some communities are born great, others acquire greatness and still others have greatness thrust upon them. Some are all three cast into one. They were born with certain natural advantages. They acquired by the thriftiness and vision of their citizens industrial, commercial, social and residential superiorities. And greatness is being thrust upon them by every passing tourist, occasional envoy of business and even more scrutinizing visitor.

The Melting Pot

The late bird catches the sleep.

Having to swallow insults is hard on a man's digestion.

It is not too early to wish aloud for what you want Christmas.

Golfers and woodpeckers are the only birds using their heads to get into the hole.

THE PEACE RIVER COUNTRY

As our readers know, the Peace River country is at present very conspicuously in the limelight as the "Last Great West" of the Canadian agricultural plains. Last year it produced a grain crop of approximately ten million bushels, and captured the championships in wheat and oats at the International Grain and Hay Show in Chicago, both awards, for the first time on record, being secured by one farmer. Such performances, by a district in which active agricultural occupation dates back some fifteen years only, suggest wonderful future development, especially when it is considered that but a small proportion of its arable land is yet under cultivation.

To meet extensive and ever-increasing demands for authentic information respecting the district at large the Natural Resources Intelligence Service has just issued an illustrated hundred-page pamphlet entitled "The Peace River Country, Can-

French River Home of the Fighting "Muskie"



E.A. FARINTOSH (LEFT) WITH 35 LB. MUSKIE



A PORTAGE

"Muskie" are so plentiful at French River, Ontario, according to J. G. Strathdee, who runs the French River Bungalow Camp at this Ontario resort, that he and his mother, while paddling down the river, past the golf course, struck a muscalunge at least four feet long which was sunning itself near the surface of the water. The muskie, which was as surprised as the canoeists, leaped several feet out of the water, then vanished from view.

French River station is on the Canadian Pacific Railway, 215 miles north of Toronto, 60 miles north of Parry Sound, and 45 miles south of Sudbury. The Bungalow Camp is attractively situated on an elevation commanding a magnificent view of the main channel of the French River and within 200 yards of the station.

In addition to the Bungalow Camp, an outlying sub-camp is situated at Pine Rapids, at the head of Eighteen Mile Island, in the heart of the best fishing waters of the upper French river.

It has as an adjunct Pine Rapids Camp, which is 25 miles up the river. These two camps accommodate ninety people, and there are plenty of fish—muscalunge, Great Northern pike, pickerel, and small and large mouth black bass. There are thirty well built and comfortable bungalows at the main camp, while Pine Rapids has canvas houses built on wooden floors. French River is 215 miles North of Toronto.

Here is a tale told by Mr. Strathdee, about a "muskie" with a toothache. In August, this big fresh water tiger needs a fish dentist. Last year a visitor to French River hooked a 30-pounder which immediately dropped to the bottom of the river and sulked. The knowing Indian guide tapped the rod with his knife; the vibrations went through the pole, down the line to the mouth of the "muskie", and irritated one of its sore teeth. The muskie then leaped clear of the water, and proceeded to give the fisherman a fierce fight lasting three-quarters of an hour!

The muscalunge at French River run from 10 to 45 pounds, and one was caught in this well-known angling resort which weighed 55 lbs.

Various sections contain information respecting such general topics as climate, physiography, vegetation, soil, land settlement, grain growing, mixed farming, ranching, mineral deposits, timber, water power, game, transportation and kindred topics. Other sections give more detailed information of the several local settlements. There are eight full-page maps and 25 representative illustrations.

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FIELD CROP COMPETITION

The Jarvis Agricultural Society are again conducting a Field Crop Com-

petition and the crops selected are wheat and oats, the same as last year. All members contemplating entering this competition will kindly make their entries as soon as possible with the Secretary, Geo. L. Miller. The fee for entering is one dollar for each

THE JUNE ROD AND GUN and Canadian Silver Fox News

Similar to the Dominion Tourist issue of last month but specially broadcasting the attractions of the province of Ontario, the June number of "Rod and Gun and Canadian Silver Fox News" is published in the shape of a special Ontario Tourist issue. A special feature is a

tinted, illustrated section which describes some of the splendid summer resorts that Ontario offers the tourist. In addition a personal message of welcome to tourists by the Hon. G. Howard Ferguson is published in the place of the editorial. The regular contents are made up in this issue of stories and articles dealing for the most part especially with Ontario.

An important change is made in the appointment of C. G. Hopton, internationally famous breeder and judge, to be editor of the Kennel Department, associated with Dr. L. E. L. Taylor. He commences his duties in the June issue.

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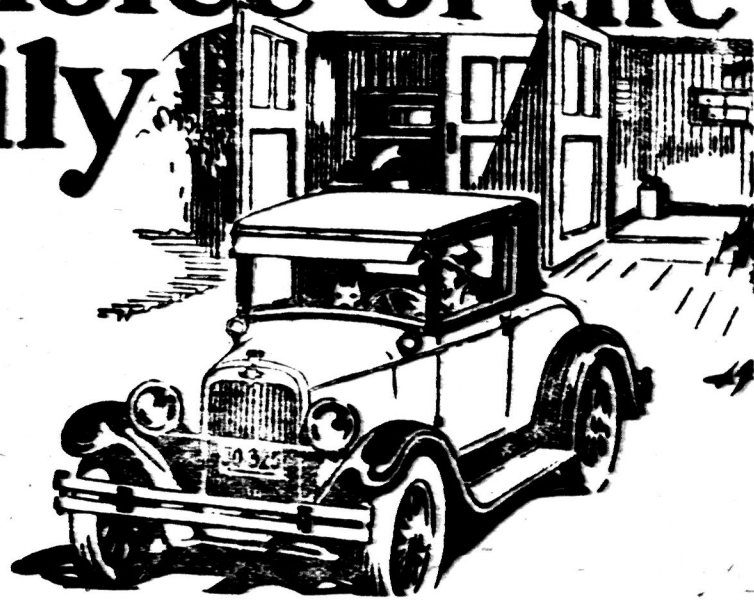
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- 11—Varenay at Erie
- June 14—Springvale at Erie
- 17—Varenay at Springvale
- 22—Erie at Varenay
- June 25—Erie at Springvale
- 29—Springvale at Varenay
- July 4—Varenay at Erie
- July 7—Springvale at Erie
- 12—Varenay at Springvale
- 15—Erie at Varenay

1927 SCHEDULE — GROUP 2

- June 1—Gore at Renton 12-9
- 8—Renton at Jarvis 11-1
- 11—Jarvis at Gore 2-8
- June 15—Renton at Gore
- 18—Gore at Jarvis
- 22—Jarvis at Renton
- June 24—Gore at Renton
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