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London Times on Newspaper Criticism.

It is always to be expected that newspapers will be subject to criticism. It is part of their life blood. Usually one column of a newspaper is devoted to opinions, and those opinions are always open to criticism. The news columns are also often not free from personal bias. It cannot be otherwise. The reporter tells what he sees, and he sees largely those things he wants to see. Whether it is a labor paper, a financial paper, a political paper, or even a family newspaper, you are bound to find to some extent the personality of the writer shown in the news columns. However much an editor may prune down and eliminate the personal element, it is there. In fact a newspaper without some personal element is not very readable.

The English newspapers were recently criticized by the visiting premiers, and the London Times opened its reply in this way:

"More than one representative of the Dominions referred disparagingly to the press of this country in speeches delivered at a meeting last week. We view these rebukes with chastened patience, submitting only to these wrathful men from overseas that newspapers, even in London, are printed to be read; that human beings are erring creatures; and that—as sad as it may be—many men and some women show an ineradicable preference, in their newspaper reading, for the trivial or the sensational over the portentous or the solemn. It is sad, but it is true; and we must add that—human nature being much the same everywhere—it is as true in the Dominions as in London."

Famous Tenor

Who Died Yesterday.

Enrico Caruso, for more than twenty-five years a celebrity in the world of song, the tenor with "the golden voice" idolized by millions in America and abroad, had an artistic career as well known as that of any famous statesman or military leader. He was born in Naples, Italy, February 25, 1873, the son of Marcellino Caruso, a mechanic, who detested music but was persuaded to permit his son, when 11 years old, to sing in the churches of his native city. An unpromising pupil, for three years he studied under Guglielmo Vergine, pledging his teacher that when ready for a professional career he should pay him one-quarter of his earnings for the following five years.

It is interesting to observe that when Caruso made his Naples debut he sang the title role four times, for which he received 100 francs, a pair of stage shoes, a suit of fashions and a neckerchief. Some years later Maurice Grau, the impresario, negotiated with him to sing in America for \$700 a month, but thought the salary excessive and the deal fell through. Grau was quick to perceive the opportunity he had lost, and finally engaged Caruso for fifty performances at \$1,000 a night. But Mr. Grau became ill and Caruso, when singing in Lisbon, received word that again he must abandon his hope of singing in America. Heinrich Conried, who followed Mr. Grau at the Metropolitan, however, cabled Caruso an offer to cross the Atlantic, and his ambition at last was realized.

Although no official statement of his earnings was ever made public, it is known that Caruso, at the height of his Metropolitan career, was receiving an average of \$3,000 for each performance. On special occasions, such as his 1920 season in Havana, he was paid \$10,000 a night.

Caruso, after his strenuous opera seasons, sometimes had trouble with his throat, which he usually overcame with a little rest and care, and at certain intervals rumors that "Caruso will never sing again" were frequently printed. In the winter of 1920, however, he suffered a serious affliction when a small blood vessel in his throat burst while he was singing in "Elixir d'Amore" in the Brooklyn Academy of Music. Recovered from this mishap, Caruso was stricken with pleurisy.

During his indisposition Caruso was the object of devoted attention by his wife, formerly Miss Dorothy Benjamin, of New York, whom he married in 1918. One child was born to them. Caruso has a son by a former wife, a singer named Ada Ciachetti, with whom he had been associated in opera at Treviso and Bologna.

The famous singer was the guest of honor at a silver jubilee celebration on the twenty-fifth anniversary of his operatic debut, in November, 1919, at the Metropolitan, at which prominent New Yorkers, including the mayor and other officials, spoke of his great artistic achievements. He received an illuminated parchment from thirty-five families holding boxes in the \$7,000,000 "Golden Horseshoe," a flag from the city of New York, several medals and numerous gifts from his fellow artists.

Mr. and Mrs. Caruso resided in New York City during the opera season. They had a summer home on Long Island and another residence, Villa alle Panche, at Florence, Italy. Happily his voice is preserved to us in gramophone records which are very popular everywhere.

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LOCAL MAN IN LONDON PAPER

John Dybhavn Author of Article
in Graphic on Fisheries and
Car Shortage.

"The World's Largest Halibut Market," is the title of an article on the fisheries of this port which appears in the London Graphic of July 16, written by Alderman John Dybhavn, chairman of the Fisheries Committee of the Board of Trade. The article is accompanied by a photograph of the fishing fleet taken in the spring and describes the extent of the great business here dealing also with the car shortage which was on a couple of months ago.

It says in part: "Prince Rupert, British Columbia, is the largest halibut market in the world. On the North Pacific Coast, where the most productive halibut banks are situated, half of the total catch is marketed and if there were a plentiful supply of cars all the year around, at least three-quarters of the total catch would be marketed there."

"Last year 19,675,700 pounds of halibut, or approximately 980 carloads, were landed at Prince Rupert. On the Pacific Coast, at points other than Prince Rupert, there were landed about 22,000,000 pounds or 1000 carloads. Of this it is conservatively estimated at least 60 per cent would have come to Prince Rupert, providing express refrigerator cars were available to take care of the trade. This would amount to 650 carloads."

Salmon Fisheries.

"Last year over 31,000,000 pounds of salmon were landed at Prince Rupert and vicinity. Most of this was canned. Owing to the prevailing shortage of express refrigerator cars none were available for shipping fresh salmon, although it is estimated that about 100 carloads of fresh salmon would have been shipped from here to the East had there been an adequate supply of cars."

ANYOX STILL RUNNING
STEADILY AND ABOUT
1200 ARE EMPLOYED

H. S. Munro, general manager of the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Co., was in the city yesterday on the Camosun on his way south to Vancouver. Mr. Munro reports that operations still continue steadily at the smelter town. There are about 1200 men employed all told there. Living costs have taken a drop of some 35 per cent since last year, wages being reduced \$1 per day all around, the reductions have been made last winter. The copper market is still far from being satisfactory.

Repairs are being made as a result of the recent fire in the tops of the ore bunkers. This work will likely take a month or so. The company lost only four hours production time as a result of the fire, this being on the day it took place.

Ten Years Ago
in Prince Rupert

August 3, 1911.

The Board of Trade has decided to place the question of exorbitant freight rates between here and Vancouver before the Railway Commission which visits the city on August 12.

Today the first twin screw gasoline launch built in Prince Rupert lies at the Davis boat stage. The new launch is named "Nimrod" and belongs to its builders, A. G. McLaren and H. Davidson. It is double engine, lighted with electric lights and is beautifully modelled.

Damage to the extent of \$500 was done by fire at the Clinton Rooms, Fraser and Eighth Streets, yesterday afternoon. Nothing but the quick response of the fire department saved a more serious conflagration. Assistant Chief McDonald had his eye slightly injured when he was hit with a nozzle.

W. H. MacInnes, civil service commissioner, returned last night from Smithers and continued on to Victoria by the Camosun.

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