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**Must Be Careful
 Of Prejudices.**

It is difficult for people to avoid prejudices. Everybody has them. Even the internationalists who claim to look for the time when there will be no national boundaries, are usually prejudiced against anyone who is not of their way of thinking. In this province most people are prejudiced against Orientals although at the same time they are ready to use the Chinese or Japanese when it is to their advantage to do so.

Yesterday this paper reported a horrible shooting case at Salmon Arm, further particulars of which are given today, in which a boy from the London slums was allegedly the one who committed the crime. Another crime reported in this paper yesterday was allegedly committed by a Chinaman in Vancouver when a lineman on the B.C. Electric railway was shot. These crimes will tend to increase the prejudices against both the Barnardo boys who come here from London and the Orientals who are already with us.

The question that naturally arises is whether Canadians under similar circumstances would commit similar crimes.

The Barnardo boys are lads who have been rescued from adverse conditions in the London slums. Many of them are orphans or worse. They have been carefully trained in the Barnardo homes and taught to be useful and the large majority turn out to be very good citizens. A great many have come to Canada from time to time and few have proved failures.

The Chinese as a people have prospered in British Columbia. The difficulty is that so many have brought with them their Oriental habits and have gained nothing from their association with the dress of the white race. Much of the trading in drugs is carried on by Chinese and Chinese names appear with remarkable regularity in the police court records in connection with offenses in connection with the opium traffic. While it is true that opium was forced on the Chinese by the British, a scandal which will never be lived down, yet we have the present condition to face and cannot be held wholly responsible for what our forefathers did and the crimes they committed.

It is suggested in the despatch received yesterday that the Chinaman who did the shooting in Vancouver yesterday was a drug addict. No other explanation can be given for committing so senseless and horrible a crime. A negro recently killed a policeman when under the influence of some drug, possibly alcohol. White people use these drugs also very considerably with baneful effects.

If we are to say that the Barnardo boys shall be excluded from this country, how much more must we say the Orientals shall be excluded. Yet we cannot set ourselves up as holier and better than anyone else for Canadians are often on the list of criminals, of drug vendors and addicts, of bootleggers and breakers of the law in various directions.

It is well for us to examine our prejudices carefully and weigh them in the balance. Tolerance is a great virtue, yet sometimes we are too tolerant of criminality and too intolerant of those who interfere with our business prospects.

**Education Furnishes
 Tools For Achievement.**

The lecturer at the Moose Lodge last night stated that education furnished the tools for achievement and that was the principle upon which the Mooseheart institution in connection with their order was conducted. It is a splendid principle. Education is no excuse for idleness, for education is not a thing that can be acquired and then allowed to lie dormant. Unused it disappears.

**WINNING ESSAY
 INTERMEDIATE**

**Twelve Year Old Girl Tells Well
 Why Forests Should Be Pro-
 tected**

By Betty Martin, aged 12, Mel-
 drum Creek School

Our forests are the source of our commercial activities. They furnish the grand beauty to our rugged country which attracts thousands of enthusiastic tourists in growing numbers each season.

We must protect our forests from fire. Destruction to any part of our valuable forests means loss to the great industries which are supported by them. Forest fires must be fought, and the thousands of dollars paid to the fire fighters is as much a loss as are the bridges, mills, fences, timber and logging equipment actually destroyed by the flames. The scattered forests of pine, too, must be guarded. Without logs, poles and fuel, settlers could not live in the interior where the winters are severe, and so the wealth of our great ranges would never be gathered in.

We must also protect our forests of lodge pole pine and white spruce in the interior wet belt. Without these trees on the mountain slopes, the spring freshets would wash away all vegetation from the mountain sides. Without the massed tree roots and shady boughs, the ground would not hold back the heavy rains of the wet seasons, so that our streams would be destructive torrents in the spring and dry rock beds in the summer, when irrigation is so necessary.

Without our forests we would be without our game and fur-bearing animals. Our loggers, farmers, hunters and those in the centres who trade and manufacture for them, depend on them; so for everybody's sake we must protect them from fire.

The oak groves of Southern Vancouver Island are too limited to be of great commercial worth, yet to revel in the beauties of this district as many as five hundred tourists have passed through its centre, Victoria, in one day, some fifty of these having cars. The amount spent each year by tourists in our province is very great.

Our wet belt forests are of the greatest commercial importance, for the giant Douglas fir, the Sitka spruce and cedar, make the finest timber in the world. Thirty millions are paid annually to men engaged in the lumber industry, and doubtless as much again is spent in logging and milling equipment. Great paper mills on the coast export much paper which with the heavy lumber shipments help to balance our world-wide trade. The revenue alone from our forests last year was two million nine hundred thousand dollars.

The dense jungle-like undergrowth of these forests support the abundance of game. These offer recreation to the townsfolk, great sport to the tourists, and furnish the farmers with treatment. Insect-destroying birds, which are necessary for successful crops, must have forest homes.

From the interior forest belt, trappers gather hundreds of dollars worth of fur each year; and as the coast forests give out, these interior forests will become of more value.

Don't let the fires devour our forests. With them must go the logger, the farmer, the trapper and the tourist, and so the tradesmen and manufacturers in our cities.

A neglected spark could destroy, with our forests, our means of living. We must keep the fires away from them.

**HOSPITAL FINANCING
 DIFFICULT PROBLEM**

Chairman of House Committee
 Says That Loss This Year Is
 Inevitable

Referring to financial affairs of the hospital at last night's board meeting, S. K. Campbell, chairman of the house committee, stated that most careful financing would be needed this year. Certain improvements in the institution such as repairing of the wiring system and altering of the sterilizing system were necessary. The board had received but \$1800 from the provincial government as share of liquor profits which he considered very unsatisfactory. Moreover, the city grant had been reduced. A loss at the end of the year seemed inevitable.

**MISS CHARLOTTE
 BLACK RESIGNS**

**On Account of Ill-Health, Matron
 of Hospital is Forced to Re-
 linquish Position**

On account of ill-health, Miss Charlotte Black has resigned as matron of the Prince Rupert General Hospital. This was reported to the hospital board at the regular monthly meeting last night. Miss Black had been asked to reconsider her decision but had replied that it would be impossible for her to again assume the duties. Miss Black has served for nearly two years as matron of the hospital and appreciation of her services was expressed by S. K. Campbell, chairman of the house committee, who stated that her work both as regarded the hospital and training school had been highly efficient and she had enjoyed the popularity of all. It was with the deepest regret that it was necessary to accept her resignation.

The matter of appointing a successor to Miss Black has been left in the hands of the house committee which has already placed advertisements in Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, and Winnipeg papers. E. H. Mortimer suggested that advertisements should also be placed in local papers but Mr. Campbell felt that this was not necessary, stating that there was no one here who could take the position.

Mrs. Donaldson is acting as matron pending the making of a permanent appointment. Ald. Mackenzie and T. Ross Mackay moved that she be paid \$110 per month as from July 1. This resolution was carried, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Mortimer voting against it. Mr. Mortimer moved that \$100 be paid but there was no seconder.

**The Man in the Moon
 SAYS--**

JAKE says there are enough Scotchmen living here to make it worth while for the government to put up another elevator here. Jake wishes it quite understood this has no reference to the use of rolled oats but to the way in which some of the folks from north of the Tweed get elevated after visiting the Fraser Street shops.

THERE is a book known as the Canadian Parliamentary Guide issued by the Colonel E. J. Chambers, but it is very noticeable that there are no directions in it to show how to cross the Ottawa River and get back with a sufficiency of Hull spirit.

JAKE says he always knew drinking lemonade was dangerous and now he is more convinced than ever, since a man was killed in the act on Vancouver Island.

EVERYBODY seems to be going to the street dance on Second Avenue tonight except me. The only dance I do is the polka and it's out of date, they say.

WHAT I like is going out for a week end and remaining until the middle of the week. It feels like sleeping in of a morning.

ONE of the famous Senators who assisted Sir James Loughheed and his senatorial band in preventing the construction of the C.N.R. branch lines is said to be a C.P.R. railway director. And they also say he had not the decency to abstain from voting.

The presence of a third party in B.C. politics is justified, according to Jake, by the fact that there were three parties in the Garden of Eden. The third was effective if not constructive.

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**Ten Years Ago
 in Prince Rupert**

July 19, 1913.

"Barney" Mulvaney, the well-known old timer of the interior, and S. E. Lawyer, formerly of Alberta, are in town after a trip into the Naas River valley. Both speak very enthusiastically of the country and Mr. Lawyer says it is the finest he has ever seen. They went in by way of Goose Bay and Alice Arm.

Major Gibson's staunch and commodious yacht, Nancy Jane, left last night for a cruise among the Hecate Strait Islands. This morning word reached the city that the Nancy Jane was high and dry on a shoal off Digby Island. Making the trip with Major Gibson are W. G. Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. C. Brown, Miss Reitelhel and others.

Rev. W. H. Vance, principal of Latimer Hall, Vancouver, arrived here this morning on the Prince Rupert and will remain in the city a week, the guest of Bishop and Mrs. F. H. DuVernet.

TENDERS.

Tenders are requested for the removal of the former Provincial Government Court House, Third Avenue, to the Masonic Lot, corner of Sixth Avenue and Bower Street, Prince Rupert, B.C., and the placing of said Court House on a proper pile foundation. Details of tender and specifications may be seen at the office of Mr. H. V. G. LePine, c/o, Big Bay Lumber Co. Ltd., Cow Bay, Prince Rupert, B.C. Sealed tenders will be received at Mr. LePine's office until twelve o'clock noon on the 21st day of July, 1923. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.



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ANYX GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS.
 SEALED TENDERS, superscripted "Tender for Anyx Government Buildings," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon of Tuesday, the 17th day of July, 1923, for the erection and completion of Government offices at Anyx, in the Atlin Electoral District, B.C.

Plans, specification, Contract and Form of Tender may be seen on and after the 18th day of June, 1923, and further information obtained at the Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings and at the following offices:—Government Agent, Court House, Vancouver, and Government Agent, Court House, Prince Rupert. Copies of plans, specifications, etc., can be obtained from the Department on payment of a deposit of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), which will be refunded on their return in good condition. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. P. PHILIP, Public Works Engineer, Department of Public Works.

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