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STRIKING NEW YEAR CARD

The most striking New Year card received this year came from the advertising firm of R. C. Smith & Son of Toronto. It is a small folder enclosing a sprig of heather and a call to Canadians to "Awake to the Possibilities of Inter-Empire trade." It is pointed out that the various sections of the Empire imported eleven billion dollars of merchandise and of that Canada supplied only 2.9 per cent. The frontispiece contains a picture of Miss Canada holding a roll of her products and a cablegram from Britannia to her reads: "Happy New Year daughter. All Empire awaiting family reunion at Ottawa. Will make 1932 beginning of new era of prosperity for you all."

SIZE OF NEW LEGISLATURE

It will be the duty of the present legislature to decide on the number of members that will constitute the legislature for the next ten years. Just now there are 48 seats which means that 48 members have to draw indemnities of \$2,000 each. In addition to that each member is a considerable additional expense to the province in providing for his needs in the house.

One other province, New Brunswick, has the same number of members but they are paid only \$1,000 each though they charge travelling expenses. Nova Scotia has 41 mem-barrent \$1,000 cach: Prince Edward Island, 30 at \$400 each; Life' Is Science Quebec, 85 at \$2,500 each; Ontario, 112 at \$2,000 each; Manitoba, 55 at \$1,500 each; Saskatchewan, 63 members at \$2,000 each, and Alberta, 63 at \$2,000 each and travelling expenses.

If the present government can cut down the number of members without itself being dismembered, it will have done a service to the community. We are undoubtedly in all Christian Science churches over-governed but it is difficult for a member to properly look after the needs of a huge constituency such as that in the lesson-sermon was the folof the federal member for Skeena. It takes him many lowing from II Timothy 1:10: "But weeks to travel over it and the cost of doing so is consid- is now made manifest by the aperable. If the provincial constituencies were as large as bearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, that, none but a rich man could represent them unless travelling costs were paid.

WHICH WAS THE WORST?

It has been stated over and over again that this is the scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, worst depression that the world has ever experienced, says one passage being as follows: the Edmonton Journal. The veteran financial editor of the "Jesus could give his temporal life" New York Times, Alexander D. Noyes, sharply challenged into his enemies' hands; but when that view in his New Year's review. What he knows of his earth-mission was accomplishpast depressions through personal experience he has sup- and eternal, was found forever the

The memories of only a few of his readers go back to life and that real Life is God; collapses that occurred prior to those of 1920 and 1907. herefore he could no more be se-Mr. Noyes says that he is well aware that both of these parated from his spiritual life than had less serious effects than that from the aftermath of God could be extinguished." which we are still suffering. But he is certain that things are not as bad now as they were after 1893 and 1873. He recalls that the three years prior to 1896 witnessed complete paralysis of American trade; imminent insolvency of the United States government; its rescue, by barely the margin of a day, from lapse to a depreciated silver standard; receiverships for one-fourth of the country's railway mileage; nation-wide strikes of employees, sometimes amounting to industrial insurrection, and almost entire prostration of the national banking system. Wall der, Daughters of the Empire, at Street itself, we are told, used to say in those days that the home of Mrs. R. J. D. Smith, America "has no financial future." Following the panic Third Avenue, on Saturday afterof 1873 a fifth of the investment in American railways noon. Mrs. John Manson, regent of was lost through foreclosure sales, the bank failures were the Municipal Chapter, received the guests. Mrs. C. E. Cullen, Mrs. numerous and disastrous and the struggle between capi- H. B. Rochester and Mrs. J A Teng tal and labor reached the stage of bloodshed.

Mr. Noyes poured ridicule on the "new era" talk that Smith, Miss Vera Smith, Miss M. was heard in 1928 and 1929. Those indulging in it claimed Morris and Miss M. Smith. that fundamental conditions had so changed that there could never be another depression and he kept warning cox. Miss Maureen Kirkpatrick and them of the folly of any such assumption. Now he is using Miss Audrey Parkin. much the same language regarding statements that our economic system has gone to pieces and cannot possibly recover. He finds that present events are following much convenor assisted by Mrs D. C. the usual course as after previous great crashes. But this does not mean that everything will be as it was previously of a raffle for \$5 which was won by when confidence reasserts itself. It is, he declares, "a per- Miss Ada Brown with ticket No. fectly well known economic fact that the character of ec- 586. onomic history and the working of economic machinery have never been exactly the same after a great panic and

a period of profound depression as they were before." There is plenty of evidence that the lessons which such experiences should impress are being better learned now than they were under similar conditions in the past and guests recently at the Devonshire that more determination will be manifesed to prevent repetition of the loss and suffering of the past two years.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

Robert Corlett, Aged Eighty, Noble Grand of Terrace Odd-

TERRACE, Jan. 18:-Robert Corlett, eighty-year old pioneer of this 3.00 district, was recently installed as Noble Grand of the local Oddfel-

9.00 Head of the local Rebekah Lodge is Mrs. J. McLaren. The complete list of new officers

> is as follows: Oddfellows Noble Grand. Robert Corlett. Vice-Grand, Ivan Frank. Warden, W. Oliver. Conductor, O. Swanson. Chaplain. R. Cory. R. S. S. R. McCullough. L. S. S., J. Daly. R. S. N. G., E. T. Kenney. R. S. V. G., Vernon Glass. Inner Guard, W. Ungerer. Outer Guard, E. Haugland. Secretary, Rev. H. T. Allen. Treasurer, H. A. Swain. Financial Secretary, F. Gavin. D. C., James Smith.

Rebekahs Noble Grand, Mrs. J. McLaren. Vice Grand, Miss Vera MacInnes. Recording Secretary, Mrs. T. E. Brooks.

Past Grand. T. H. Walsh.

Financial Secretary, Miss J. Don-

Treasurer, Mrs. H. King. Warden, Mrs. H. A. Swain. Conductor. Mrs. W. C. Sparkes. Chaplain, Mrs. D. McKinnon. R. S. N. G., Mrs. E. T. Kenney. L. S. N. G., Mrs. E. Bishop. R. S. V. G., Mrs. K. Smith. L. S. V. G., Mrs. A. Smith. Inner Guard, Robert Corlett. Outer Guard. F. Hampton. Past Grand. Miss Betty Anderson.

Service Subject For Yesterday

The subject of the lesson-sermon and societies on Sunday was "Life." Among the Bible texts included

who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel."

The lesson-sermon also included the reading of citations from the Christian Science textbook, "Sciplemented through a lifetime's study of economic history. same. He knew that matter had no

On Saturday Was Successful Affair

A very successful tea was held by Municipal Chapter, Imperial Ornoured. Those serving were Miss F.

During the afternoon pianoforte

Mrs. H. L. Landry was cashier. Mrs. S. V. Cox was the general Stuart and Mrs W. C. Aspinall.

Mrs. E. Anderson was in charge!

The proceeds from this tea will be used for relief work, the sum of

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace C. Orchard formerly of this city, have been Hotel in Vancouver. They left two ago for the south.

Frince Kupert

THE FRONT DOOR OF THE PEACE RIVER COUNTRY

Economy is the keynote of all activities today. No money is expended unless it is looked upon as an absolute necessity.

It is at a time like this when the advantages of the Pacific outlet to the sea should be recognized by all Canadians. It is the hope of a very large section of the country, particularly of that new and rapidly growing young empire through which the Peace River flows.

PRINCE RUPERT WAS BUILT TO BE THE WESTERN OUTLET

the logical point from which the grain of the Peace should be shipped. There are other points which might be made available but the railway is already built into Prince Rupert from Edmonton by the best grade of any line on the continent. The port is already here and a fine elevator ready to receive the grain. No expense is necessary except for the piece of railway connecting the existing Peace River railways with the main line of the Canadian National at some point between Hansard and the coast. With that operated jointly by the two big railway companies and with the C. P. R. granted suitable running privileges over the C. N. R. to enable them to do business on an equality with their competitor, the business of hauling grain to the Pacific by the best possible route can commence.

While this is a time when strictest economy is being practised everywhere, it is a time when the employment of labor in a large way is eminently desirable. Men are out of work and must be fed. The reasonable thing would be to set them to work on big undertakings of a productive nature and this Peace River Pacific outlet is one that lends itself to the purpose, especially if one of the longer and more economical routes such as that to Hazelton should be adopted.

SETTLERS ARE STILL POURING INTO THE PEACE COUNTRY

The towns are growing into cities and the villages into towns. The people are a unit in demanding a western outlet and they have adopted the Prince Rupert attitude which is that it be built by the most feasible route to the coast.

The location of this route means everything to the country. If it should be built south instead of west and should go by a tortuous route with mountain grades instead of by way of a perfect water grade to the sea, it would mean that high freight rates would be set to enable the railways to earn dividends under the difficult circumstances. A case in point is that of the C. P. R. which was built through the difficult Kicking Horse Pass and as a result of which a mountain differential had to be established.

It would be little short of a crime to place a permanent embargo on all western shipments from the Peace River country, especially at a time when people are looking for the most economical way of carrying on the business of the country and enabling the farmers to compete with grain growers in other countries to the best advantage. The interests of the grain growers should be paramount. Any line that is built should be for the purpose of serving them and not to advantage any particular port or dis-

PRINCE RUPERT IS THE PORT OF THE WESTERN ROUTE

for the products of Northern Alberta and British Columbia. The port has one of the finest harbors in the world, open all the year round and easily accessible from the ocean. It has one of the most up-to-date elevators suited for terminal shipping purposes. It has docks suited for deep sea shipping, a large dry dock and shipyard and other conveniences that go to the making of a port, such as a quarantine station, wireless and radio telephone stations. Nothing is lacking. The port is ready for business, the railway is ready to carry the grain and all that is needed is the western connection with it from the Peace country.

It would seem the part of statesmanship for any government to enable such modern facilities to be used for the benefit of the Peace River farmers and at the same time to provide employment for that army of men who today are clamoring for honest jobs to enable them to live as decent citizens of Canada.

PRINCE RUPERT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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