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CHANGE IN PARLIAMENT

When Parliament reassembles on January 12 there will be a change in the personnel of the House of Commons which will be encouraging to the government of Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

This increase of support should tend to make Mr. King hold on to office for another year or two rather than appeal to the country for approval of the tri-partite trade pact which was a move tending to unite the English speaking countries at a time when support for Empire policies might be badly needed.

Naturally added interest is taken in the forthcoming session because of there being a new Conservative leader Dr. Manion has been a leading member of the House of Commons for a number of years.

ITALIAN SITUATION

In view of the recent demands of Germany for return of her colonies now held under mandate by the League of Nations and the demands of Eire for reunion with Ulster, Italy has made demands for the return of colonies taken from her years ago by France.

The return of these colonies is not an important issue just now but, if France should at any time get into a war, it may become an issue.

It is easy to understand Italy's position but it seems as if there is to be no return of any colonies, just now at any rate.

NEW BUSINESS BLOCK

The announcement that a new business block is to be built in Prince Rupert within the next few months is another step in advance, following the building movement which started this year and is likely to be continued into next.

STILL BIG MAN

Anthony Eden, who resigned from the British cabinet because of disagreement over the British official attitude toward the dictatorships, is still a big man with a tremendous influence throughout the British Empire and evidently also in the United States.

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RUSHBROOK SPEAKS ON ABORIGINES

Seal Cove Young People Hear Many Interesting Things Of Young Indians of Old

The young people of St. Peter's Anglican Young People's Association received a visit from Rev. Canon W. F. Rushbrook who spoke to a meeting on the subject of "The Education of an Indian Boy and Girl Before the Coming of the White Settlers."

The culture of the Coastal Indian was comparable with the early white settlers in Ontario said Mr. Rushbrook. Owing to tribal affiliation which did not permit of marriage between those of the same crest, a high state of racial purity existed.

The Indian boy and girl were not heathens strictly speaking, said Canon Rushbrook, because they possessed a belief in the Great Creator Spirit of the Universe. The later Christian teaching was, therefore, not difficult to impart.

The speaker then went on to tell of the girl's education. A piece of work was given the Indian girl at an early age and usually lasted her until her marriage. Such a work, for instance, might be the carving or grinding out of a bowl from a piece of solid sandstone.

Then, too, there was the work of selecting moss used for the reception of babies when they came along and this moss required careful selection. Food for the babies also, had to be collected since rarely ever was milk available for them. The inner bark of hemlock with fish eggs, partially masticated by the girls, were given to the babies at the end of the girl's tongue and this important function of feeding baby occupied a large place in the early life of the Indian girl.

In addition to this the girl would gather white fungus from the floor of the forest and the bark of trees, fungus of the sort that was edible. She would gather cedar bark carefully removed from the inner walls of the tree and would make cedar hats and mats by skillful weaving of the selected strands.

As the girl grew she would be taught to cut fish very finely for the purposes of drying and preserving; to gather and prepare devil club roots for medicinal purposes and to prepare herself for the arts of married life.

In passing, said the speaker, it was interesting to note that the helibore herb was used in the time of sickness to drive away evil spirits. This herb would be burnt in their huts or teepees and as later medical authority had affirmed, it possessed excellent disinfectant qualities.

Finally the girl married. Nearly all girls married Mr. Rushbrook said and, if they could not find a partner, they would become a second or third wife of the Indian

WHEN PARIS FACED STRIKE



Here is a scene in the abortive French strike. These workers in a foodstuff warehouse "sat down" at their jobs. The government ended the strike after threatening to man the utilities with soldiers and sailors.

grave who was wealthy enough to be able to support more than one at a time.

Boys' Education The boys' education began with the teaching of the manufacture of instruments such as those used in domestic work or hunting or fishing or warfare.

The art of forestry, the selection of trees suitable for the fine work of canoe building, the making of arrow shafts and arrow heads and, later on, the mastery art of constructing a war canoe. All were included in the boys' early training.

The exacting disciplines of the Indian were spoken of briefly although they were many and varied.

There was one, for instance, which was undergone by the hunters prior to the hunting season. Into a roughly built igloo of willows and cedar boughs they went to endure a prolonged "Turkish Bath" by means of water handed to them from without and poured upon heated stones within the igloo. This, with fasting and constant drinking of water, combined to remove all human scent after "hich the hunter was ready for the hunt.

The hunter would take the nose from the first valuable animal taken at the commencement of the season. The nose would be cut in four pieces and thrown to the four winds—north, south, east and west—to the accompaniment of a prayer to the Great Spirit for the blessing of skill and luck in the hunt.

Appeasement Even Then The Indians did not make a habit of giving the Great Spirit anything. Apparently, he felt it was unnecessary, but the evil spirits were constant recipients of his treasures, the best of which would not be denied them in order to placate their knavish tricks.

Canon Rushbrook illustrated his talk by showing many Indian relics. The Canon is himself an Indian by adoption, being a mem-

Man in the Moon

Tuesday is always a dull day for merchants in the city. Possibly it would be a good thing to change that by advertising. If every merchant advertised a special attraction for buyers on that day there would be no more dull Tuesdays.

And, Jake grows, the newspapers would make a profit which, he thinks, would be all wrong.

What a fearful work this is. We are all afraid someone else will make a dollar.

"Your wife says she asks only for pin money." "Yes, but the first pin she wanted had 12 diamonds in it."

Head Grocer, making up the wholesale order for the week: "John, do we require any new laid eggs?" Assistant: "No, sir. We have enough in the store-room for another six weeks."

For her birthday, little Pat had been given a ring, but, much to her disappointment, not one of the guests at tea noticed it. At last she could bear their indifference no longer.

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PARSON IN POLITICS

Members of Ministerial Association Feel He Has Time Only For One Job

Should a parson take up politics as a profession? Should he seek election to public office? These were questions which were discussed at the regular meeting of the Prince Rupert Ministerial Association yesterday.

In discussing church functions, members of the Association felt that the duties of members of church congregations as professing Christians were of as vital importance as the work and ministrations of the parson.

The meeting made further plans for the annual week of prayer to be held in January. More detailed arrangements will be made later.

Rev. J. C. Jackson, president of the Association, was in the chair at today's meeting

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