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TO END NOBILITY

Canadian Plan Strikes at Very Ancient Institution.

Proposal Is Called Radical and Affects Titles That Run Back to the Old French Regime.

The report from Ottawa that the Canadian nobility is to be abolished may be the first news to not a few on that side of the border, as well as to many on this side, that Canada has a nobility. The proposal is called radical, and it certainly does strike at a very ancient institution, states a writer in Providence Journal. If such a law is enacted in accordance with the recommendations of the government, in the form of an order in council, "no hereditary title shall hereafter be conferred upon a British subject resident of Canada," and "appropriate action shall be taken by the government to provide that, after a prescribed period, no title held by a British subject now or hereafter ordinarily resident in Canada, shall be recognized as having hereditary effect."

The reference presumably is to the titles that have come down from the period when the king of France "conceded his North American possessions in fiefs of duchies, marquisates, counties, viscounties, baronies and other seignories to the members of the noblesse, military officers and other men of merit admitted to the noblesse"—according to the old chronicle. Although, as one of the ancient regime has plaintively observed, "democracy has a hatred for natural superiority and endeavors to crush it out," the titular nobility seems to have survived among the "bourgeoisie" and "peasantry" of the husky young Dominion.

Canada has its college of arms and a number of American citizens who can claim descent from patrician families, or who by feats of arms or other public achievements have shown their merit, have qualified in some of the orders, and are privileged to display the ribbons and wear the court dress of "dark blue, red cord, gilt buttons of the imperial two-headed eagle, cavalry saber, and blue, red or green sash." At about the time of the Civil war one of these orders invited the membership of "those of the American states disgusted with the vulgarity and tyranny of democracy," and its

rolls contain the names of General Gordon, General Vance and other distinguished personages of the Southern confederacy. Among the old French titles are Duc d'Arkansas and Baronet of Nova Scotia.

Fire Losses in North America.

As has often been pointed out, the fire waste in the United States and Canada is extravagant. But Canada now proposes to reduce the damage by the adoption of compulsory fire prevention measures in accordance with the recommendations of the commission of conservation, says Providence Journal.

Excluding forest fires, the commission finds that since confederation the loss has been \$700,000,000, while every year 200 lives are sacrificed in fires, and 500 persons are seriously injured. Canada's per capita fire loss is the largest in the world—\$2.73—and that of the United States—\$2.26—is second. England's figures are small—64 cents—but large in comparison with the 13 cents reported in Switzerland. France has a per capita loss of 74 cents. Conditions in these several countries do not seem to justify such an extraordinary difference in the fire records. Probably the explanation of the poor showing on this side of the ocean lies in the better enforcement of safety regulations in Europe, and in holding property owners accountable for the damages caused by fires starting on their premises.

The remedy proposed in Canada is in putting more responsibility upon owners of buildings and other combustible property.

What Tommy Would Say.

One day when small Tommy was called to the desk with his slate he accidentally stepped on his teacher's foot. She looked up, expecting a "Please pardon me," but Master Tommy was silent.

"Why, Tommy, what should you say," she asked.

Tommy hung his little head.

"What should you say, dear?"

Tommy began to cry.

"What should you say, Tommy?" persisted his teacher.

"I—should—say—ouch!" sobbed Tommy.

Same Place Not There.

During the lesson one afternoon a violent thunderstorm arose and to lessen the fright of the children the teacher began telling of the wonders of the elements.

"And now, Jimmy," she asked, "why is it that lightning never strikes twice in the same place?"

"Because," said Jimmy confidently, "after it hits once the same place ain't there any more."—Sunshine Bulletin.

A Purpose in View.

"My friend," remarked the facetious man, "do you get any satisfaction out of staring at a thermometer when it registers 99 degrees in the shade?"

"None to speak of," replied the crusty individual, "but I hope that if I stand here and gaze at this thermometer the next blithering idiot who comes along won't think it necessary to remind me that it's a hot day."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

THE FARMERS' FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION

OF BUTTEVILLE, OREGON

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INSURANCE IN FORCE JAN. 1, 1919.....\$7,297,369

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I want to remind you about that small chew of this *good tobacco*.

It tastes better because it's *good tobacco*. Its *quality* saves you part of your tobacco money. It goes further and lasts longer.



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COME TO HARRISBURG, OREGON

Save 25 to 50 Per Cent

ON EVERYTHING YOU EAT AND WEAR

A MONSTER CLOSING OUT

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OF MAY & SENDERS' \$30,000 STOCK

Now Going Full Swing!

People are coming in automobiles, on the train and in wagons from every part of the Willamette Valley as the news is spread, broadcast that the immense stock of dependable, high grade merchandise of the old, reliable pioneer firm of May & Senders is being closed out and sacrificed at the greatest bargain prices ever known in the history of Linn, Lane or Benton Counties, on the very things every person and family needs to eat and wear every day in the year. The kind and quality of merchandise sold by this old pioneer firm for over fifty years needs no introduction. It has stood the test and won for this firm the well deserved reputation for selling the best and most dependable merchandise money can buy at the lowest possible price. SO THINK WHAT THIS SALE MEANS TO YOU, when we tell you every article in this immense \$30,000 stock without reserve is being sacrificed and sold at prices less than present wholesale market value in almost every instance, and in many cases as low as half their present wholesale worth. Thousands of dollars worth of groceries, the real necessities of life, in the face of food stuff going higher every day, is being closed out at practically wholesale cost, and thousands and thousands of dollars worth of DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, FURNISHING GOODS, SHOES, etc., are being sacrificed and sold at prices to defy any sale, competition or mail order house in the United States. Get in your automobile, your buggy or your wagon; if you have neither, get on the first train. It would pay anyone to come one hundred miles to THIS MONSTER SALE, as the savings are enormous and the amount you save will only be measured by the extent of your purchase.

The best condensed milk is being closed out at 2 cans for... **25c**
(Limit 6 cans to a customer)

The best 40c bulk Coffee is being closed out at per lb..... **22c**

Crystal White, Clean Easy and all white laundry soaps on sale, per bar..... **5c**
(Limit 10 to a customer)

We are closing out the best Nails by the keg at per lb..... **5c**

You can buy the best Valley Flour, none better, at per sack..... **\$2.55**

Finest quality Royal Ann dried cherries, worth 25c on sale per lb..... **10c**

Half ground Salt is being closed out at less than car load prices, 100 lbs. for.... **\$1.10**

Men's best and heaviest blue striped overalls Worth \$2.25, on sale at... **\$1.69**

All standard dress gingham, none better, worth today 35c, to close out, yd. **20c**

Men's heavy cotton work sox worth 25c, on sale to close out at..... **15c**

Preferred Stock 2 1/2 lb. can solid pack Tomatoes regular 25c size, per can..... **14c**
(Limit 10 to a customer)

Free! Free!

50 Valuable Prizes to be Given Away Absolutely Free Saturday, May 10th.

GRAND PRIZE \$5.00 IN GOLD

Prizes Awarded All Day From 9 A.M. to 8 P.M.

Men's best quality \$1.50 union suits are being closed out at... **89c**

We are closing out the entire stock of dishes and glass ware for less than **HALF PRICE**

\$1.25 HOUSE BROOMS

Will Be Sold Saturday, May 10

FOR ONLY 10 CENTS

SATURDAY, May 10th, to the first 50 people making a \$2.00 purchase or over (in any department other than groceries) between 9 and 10 o'clock in the morning, we will sell a good \$1.25 house broom for the small sum of 10c. Again Saturday afternoon to the first 50 people making a \$2.00 purchase or over (in any department except groceries) between 2 and 3 o'clock, we will sell a good house broom for only 10c. (Only one broom to a customer.)

EGGS TAKEN AS CASH AT MARKET VALUE

Famous Headlight heavy blue denim bib overalls, nothing better, on sale at... **\$1.89**
Worth \$2.50

One lot of children's sandals and play shoes, worth \$1.50, choice to close out at **89c**

One lot of men's heavy solid leather work shoes choice to close out, pr... **\$1.98**

One lot of men's \$1.25 work shirts on sale to close out at..... **89c**

Men's newest style, best quality dress shirts worth to \$1.75, closing out at.... **98c**

The famous Uncle Sam work shirts, worth \$1.50 on sale to close out at.... **97c**

Genuine Hope bleached muslin worth 30c today. On sale to close out, yd... **18c**

Girl's summer weight underwear, worth over 35c closing out, per garment... **10c**

Full comfort size cotton bats worth over \$1.00 are being sold at..... **69c**

One lot of women's dress shoes, values to \$6.00, choice to close out, pr... **\$2.98**

The best parlor matches, none better. On sale per box..... **5c**
(Limit 12 to a customer)

A Monster Closing Out Sale Of May & Senders' Entire Stock HARRISBURG, OREGON

How and When.

"Do you like your steak rare?" casually inquired his friend, as they were on the subject of high price of not being hungry.

"Yes, I like it rare but get it rare," was the answer.

Explained.

"A sailor in time of war simply can fall asleep at his post."

"Why not?"

"Because a man-of-war must keep a wake when on the water."

Judicious Optimism.

"Are you an optimist?"

"Yes. But I don't believe in being so careless and happy as to give the busy pessimist a chance for the best of the argument."

A Greased Track.

Ill-natured gossip travels fast. And why?" said Herbert Hale. Because the tongues that carry it Are always on the rail.

Nothing to Crow About.

"Well, I've made my mark in this life, at any rate," remarked the fellow who was given to self-laudation. "Oh, don't let that puff you up," responded the chap who gets tired of it. "So has the guy who can't write his name."

All Thought Out.

"Brown's debts don't seem to worry him."

"No. He says if he looked worried it would worry his creditors and then they would worry him into worrying some more."

Pa Musta Said Something.

"Say, ma, what is one of these madder'n a March hares?" asked little William.

Ma made the proper explanation. William wasn't exactly satisfied, however.

"Gee, that ain't what I thought they wuz. I thought they must be one of the kind pa found in his soup the day we wuz downtown and et in a restaurant."

The Injustice of Things.

"What has become of that dog you trained to do so many tricks?"

"I gave him away," replied the patient man. "I didn't mind seeing the dog get all the applause. But I got tired of hearing people snicker and say he had more sense than his owner."

WORTH A CHANCE.

The small boy stood at the garden gate and howled and howled and howled. A passing old lady paused beside him.

"What's the matter, little man?" she asked in a kindly voice.

"O-o-oh!" wailed the youngster. "Pa and ma won't take me to the pictures tonight."

"But don't make such a noise," said the dame admonishingly. "Do they ever take you when you cry like that?"

"S-sometimes they do, an'-an'-sometimes they d-d-don't," bellowed the boy. "But it ain't no trouble to yell!"—London Opinion.

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