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THE COMING SESSION

Is it not time the Bell government were giving some intimation as to when the Legislature is to meet...

The session is very likely to be an unusually long one; the Bell government will have many things to explain...

In the meantime the Liberal organ is singing with what grace it can command, that everything is all right politically...

THE RUHR TROUBLE

Our dispatches this morning concerning the situation in Germany are not reassuring. France has undertaken a difficult task in compelling Germany to pay up...

In this way and with labor well organized, Germany is building up her industries at home and her trade abroad. She whined that she could not pay her debts to France and Great Britain...

SOME JUSTICE

In Northumberland County, New Brunswick, a man was found guilty of manslaughter, it having been proved that he shot and killed a neighbor with whom he had had a dispute...

How or why he was paroled or pardoned is a mystery; but he carried his parole in his pocket and that settled it. His neighbors do not want him as they consider him dangerous...

THE TRANSGRESSOR

"The way of the transgressor is hard" but in many respects no harder than that of the man who has not transgressed. Indeed the transgressor appears to have the best of it. His ill-gotten gains purchase many pleasures for him...

Notes By The Way

On Friday last we took note of the fact that the basic and broadest charge against the Bell Government was that they had deceived the people with the intent to personally profit thereby...

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But the crime of deceiving the people in order that the deceivers might profit by the fraud cannot thus be disposed of. We can well understand why the Bell Government and its inspired organ do not wish to discuss it...

This very evasion and avoidance of the subject goes to prove how often and how constantly the shame of it, the baseness of it, is present in their minds. It rises like Banquo's ghost to confront them at the Council Table...

The Organ of the Bell Government reminds us that the Legislature is shortly to meet in its accustomed place. From its venerable walls the portraits of the statesmen of past years and olden times will look down upon the deceivers of 1919-1923...

There is a form of lunacy called megalomania, the insanity of greatness. The insane person believes himself to be a king or an emperor. Could megalomaniacs make loftier pretensions or Pharisees claim higher virtues than those we have here described?

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by its correspondents.

Advance Information

Sir.—General John Barleycorn is now mobilizing his forces to invade Prince Edward Island on or about July 12th.

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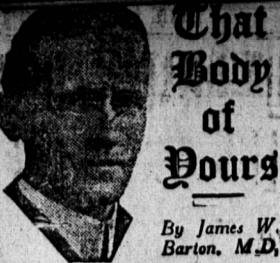
Official Washington at the present time is about as well as Pison d'Lake. P. E. has many of nearly all of those who were instrumental in placing this National Course upon us...

Many of our Prohibition Enforcement Officials are as wobbly and as crooked as your "P. E. I. railway" and as wiggly and slippery as a mud puddle...

Prohibition is the high school of lawlessness, and everything that pertains to the breaking down of our best Social Structure which is a wholesome respect for law and order, throughout the land...

The automobile today is a far greater agency for the commission of crime and sin than ever the saloon was in its most flourishing time. I rode over the road last summer from Worcester to Boston...

So far at least they have refused to plead guilty or not guilty to the charge of having deceived the people. They have evaded or refused to answer at the bar of public opinion.



Chat Body of Hours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

Your throat feels a little sore, it hurts to swallow, and it hurts also to talk. I believe that everybody has experienced that much at some time during his life.

At you look at your throat with the aid of a mirror, simply saying the syllable "ah" and everything looks a little red, and never give the matter further thought.

Neglected throats are the forerunners of many dangerous conditions with severe after effects. And yet the common practice of having the tonsils removed just because they are large, is not now favored by surgeons.

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Wives Sometimes Object To Life Assurance But Widows Never Do. Many a man has failed to insure his life because of his wife's noble but misguided scruples. She didn't want even to think of her husband being taken from her. The thought of money forcing itself into such a tragedy filled her with horror.

Daily Selections For Guardian Readers. From the W. S. Louson collection. UNTIL THE DAY BREAK. O heart! though night be long and dreary, Of patient faith be thou not weary.

Winnipeg Lawyers Demand Abolition Of Grand Jury. (Special to The Guardian.) WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 18.—Lawyers here who have advocated the abolition of the grand jury of the Inter-State Commerce Commission...

Australian Premier Predicts Prosperity. (Special to The Guardian.) SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 18.—Hon. S. M. Bruce, the new Prime Minister of Australia in acknowledging the welcome extended to him by this city said that the new government's policy would be founded on the acknowledged principles of sanity and progress.

Cosgrave Refuses to Confer With Eamon De Valera. (Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, Feb. 18.—President Cosgrave of the Dail Eireann this afternoon issued a statement to the effect that he will not confer with De Valera or Liam Lynch and that this will be his stand and the stand of his government until the present controversy is settled.

Provision for Hospital Patients. Sir.—For the information of the public, I beg to announce that all provision for the attendance of the sick for the month of February has been made by the Medical Staff of the Prince Edward Island Hospital before they resigned. By that time it is to be hoped that the differences between the Trustees of the Hospital and the Medical Staff will have been adjusted.

Providing Coal for Upper New York. (Special to The Guardian.) NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Raided within forty-eight hours has been promised to Upper New York state by the Inter-State Commerce Commission which has issued sweeping priority orders for coal. Trains the fuel now on the tracks will continue to Canada but the towns in the fullest areas of the state will receive coal as fast as it can be rushed from the mines.

Pine Grosbeaks. Sir.—In your issue of Feb. 13th a letter appears, signed "M. B. R. Knross, P. E. I." addressed to the bird lovers of the Island. I may say that I am in the class of bird lovers, but I do not claim to any special knowledge of the interesting subject of bird study. The question is asked: "Do the pine grosbeaks winter here as a general thing?" It is said that they are very irregular winter visitors from the north. Their local range is in the coniferous forests of the northern hemisphere, west to the Mackenzie River, migrating to settled sections only in winter. It is five years since I have seen any pine grosbeaks, but it is very likely they have been in this section since that winter. At that time, in late November, I saw a pair of these birds, busily engaged in eating weed seeds, which they found on some stalks. They were very tame and took no notice until I approached to within three feet of them. Then they took alarm and flew a short distance. Another irregular winter visitor to the Island is the golden-crowned kinglet. They are seen here occasionally. I have only seen one specimen of the pine warbler referred to. The practice of feeding our winter birds is a good one, especially this winter, and we will be well repaid when we see the confidence the birds have in us.

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