

Sayings of the Week.

The Queen City and Its Queen.

WE have enjoyed our stay in Auckland very much. It is not that we have been kind to you, but rather that you have been kind to us.—*Lady Islington*

The Children's Cause.

There is no charity so efficient as that which deals with little children, and there is no more productive and grateful soil in which to sow the seeds of your sympathy.—*Mrs. Leo Myers*

Making the Citizen.

Whilst not anticipating war the country had to be prepared for emergencies, and the aim of the defence authorities was to fit those capable of bearing arms for active service, without unduly hampering or interfering with the employers of labour or imposing too stringent conditions upon those called upon to serve. The scheme would at the same time have the effect of improving the physique of the young men of the Dominion, and the training and discipline they would have to undergo would make of them better men and better citizens.—*General Godley*

A Medium Duty.

A Christchurch firm had gone in for piano manufacture, but the Government imposed a very heavy duty on the material, and this firm had to give up this manufacture. As soon as they gave up, the Government said it was very sorry, and was willing to remit the duty, but by that time the factory had been closed, and the men were away. Both a want of duty and a pressure of duty would ruin an industry.—*Mr. J. B. Lawrenson*

British Immigrants.

The Dominions in 1907 received 54 per cent of British immigrants, 88 per cent in 1910, while the figures of the four months for 1911, if they were maintained, would show 80 per cent. The increase justified the work and organisation of the Emigration Department. The type of emigrant had also improved.—*Mr. John Burns*

Opposition Phases.

The Opposition had gone through many phases. First it was the great Conservative party, then the National Association, and then the Reform party.—*Hon. J. Carroll*

The Yachtsman's Paradise.

He was confident that in no other part of the world, could a yachtsman find a more pleasant or more satisfactory cruising ground than the waters in the neighbourhood of Auckland.—*Lord Islington*

A United Front.

The whole secret of organisation was to drop all arguments as to forms and ceremonies, to waive differences of opinion as to names and platforms, and to stop the quarrelling of parties whose aims were actually sympathetic. If a man was a socialist, his object should be not to abuse the Labour party, but to show how good the Socialist party was, and vice versa. The best way to achieve success was for every man to be the best possible socialist, or labourite, or unionist he could be.—*Professor Mills*

National Pride.

We who belong to New Zealand are not going to be dictated to by new clumps who have not been a dog watch in the country.—*Mr. Lawrenson*

Spoon-Fed Maoris.

The Maoris were capable of being made the equal of the European by proper treatment; but that would not be done by spoon-feeding. The time had come for the Maori to leave the sheltering arms of the Government, to come out into the open and take his proper place in the country.—*Mr. G. Elliott*

Too Many Town Dwellers.

There were too many people resident in the towns and cities, and if the present prosperity decreased that would mean trouble, for there would not be enough producers.—*Mr. W. F. Massey, M.P.*

Only the Overflow.

With a diminishing birth-rate it was unsafe for Britain to exceed 300,000 emigrants yearly. The Dominions were entitled to the overflow, but must not empty the tank.—*Mr. John Burns*

A True Father.

There is something very touching in the thought of Sir John Logan Campbell, at his advanced age, stretching out a loving helping hand to the little children of Auckland. The memory of the "Father of Auckland" will be handed down for generations to come, and our children and their children's children will pass on the story of what manner of man this large-hearted man was.—*Dr. McDowell, Auckland*

Learned Librarians.

A librarian must be a learned man, with "an instinct for books," and capable of judging the spirit of literary works for the influence they would exert.—*Mr. J. H. Upton*

The Millennium.

When they obtained recognition by legislation of the brotherhood of man, and its principles were practiced by the community, he honestly believed that the Christian millennium would be near at hand.—*Mr. McGowan, Premier N.S.W.*

Not a Village.

The people of Auckland ought to recognise that they do not live in a village. Auckland has grown beyond that stage, and its citizens must use the footpaths in an orderly fashion.—*The Mayor of Auckland*

A Flogging Juggernaut.

Canon Lyttelton, who has suppressed the historical practice of birching at Eton and replaced it by the more painful cane, was ever a votary of the latter instrument of education and torture. When he was headmaster of Halesbury he beat 110 boys in one night. The reason of this flogging juggernaut was as follows: The Canon had refused to give a holiday in honour of an English success over the Boers. This incensed the boys, as 120 had left the term before especially to go to the front, so they struck work, broke Lyttelton's window, and marched round the countryside. In the evening the Canon announced from the pulpit in chapel that he "would visit the houses." No one quite understood what he meant till he appeared accompanied by his manservant holding a sheaf of canes. In each house he enlisted out the upper school boys and beat them. This took him over three hours, the number of strokes given to each delinquent ranging from four upwards.

Some statistics published by the founder of the League of Large Families show that there are nearly 3,000,000 families in France in which there is only one child. Families with two children come next; but there are more families with no children at all than three. The families with four children are less than a million in number, and those with five only just over half a million. The curious thing is that the families with seventeen children are more numerous than those with sixteen. Only at that point in the calculation does one come upon a synonym of the record-breaking spirit of the age.



WHEN THEIR TERMS EXPIRE.

The Noble Man of 1911.

The Opposition had termed Mr. Ballance and his party the "seven devils of socialism"; now they said Mr. Ballance was a noble and self-reliant man, who did great good. The Opposition had said Mr Seddon was galloping to a deficit, and ruining the country; now they said Mr Seddon was a great, strong man, whose work had benefited New Zealand. The Opposition had said that the Ward Government was hypocritical and dishonest; a future Opposition would probably refer to them as "the noble men of 1911."—*Hon. J. Carroll*

The Beef Trust.

Even if the beef trust did come to New Zealand they could not possibly get control of all the businesses, even if they tried very hard. For the reason that the local companies are in such a splendid financial position and are placed under such capable management and worked so economically, that it would be impossible to drive them out of business.—*Mr. H. D. Baker, U.S. Consul*

Wellington and Auckland.

They had heard a great deal about the robbery of Auckland by Wellington, but he asked who was the robber? Their chief guest, His Excellency the Governor, had been trained and broken in by Wellington, but now he had been induced to live among the lovely surroundings and in the delightful climate of Auckland.—*Mr. H. V. Tomley, President Wellington Chamber of Commerce*

Unity Essential.

The Main Trunk railway had brought the ends of the island within a day of each other; it had opened up large areas of new land; but it had an insensible but invaluable moral effect of daily consequence in that it brought home more prominently to the commercial and industrial community of Auckland and Wellington a sense of advantage and indispensability of closer contact and co-operation towards the national welfare. Unity was essential to the progress of the Dominion and to its success among the wider rivalries of the outside world.—*Lord Islington*

The Land Ballot.

Our commercial ambitions must emanate from the soil. When our immigrants arrived they should not be discouraged by throwing the disappointing delays of our land ballots in their faces. That system, which acted as a clog on the wheels of progressive land settlement, should be abolished, and every available acre of idle land should be thrown open to the intending settler with all possible despatch.—*Mr. Leo Myers, President Auckland Chamber of Commerce*

The Trashy Novel.

The class of book in which real danger lay was the worthless, trashy novel, consisting of meaningless words strung upon a weak string of plot. Such a book gave no occupation or exercise to the mind, and allowed it to atrophy and deteriorate.—*Mr. J. H. Upton, Auckland*

A Hard-worked Governor.

He had discovered that His Excellency was one of the hardest worked men in the community. He thought that the Mayor was hard worked, but he now knew that the period spent by His Excellency in Auckland far from being a holiday, had been a period of very hard work. The people of Auckland would be sorry to part with Their Excellencies, although it was only for a time.—*Mr. C. J. Parr, Mayor*

Sentiment and Imperialism.

Persons with experience of the overseas peoples realised that sentiment was a tremendous factor in the growth of the Imperial ideal, and the maintenance of a United Empire.—*Lord Plunket*

The Housewife's Health is Precious

The happiness of the whole family depends greatly on the health and strength of the housewife. If she is weak and worn out, fretful and nervous, she cannot be the wise and patient adviser of her children, the congenial companion of her husband, the calm mistress of her many trying household duties that she was when in perfect health.

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