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possible during the regime of Sir Robert Borden and the Conservatives. The new situation revives an important issue which has heretofore been handled without conspicuous tact on either side.

RAINCOATS WILL SERVE IF THERE ARE NO UMBRELLAS

No Law Congress Can Pass Will Prevent Money From Seeking to Get In Out of the Wet

MONEY is like men. It knows enough to get in out of the rain. Secretary Mellon equipped the results of this habit of money in a letter to the chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means last May.

SIGHTING THE FAIR SITE

THE World's Fair Committee is said to be convinced that the choice of a site can advantageously be made before the details of the exposition are worked out.

DR. LORENZ WILL REMAIN

DR. LORENZ is naturally sensitive to the unfriendly criticism to which he has been subjected since he arrived in this country. His momentary decision to go back to Vienna and give up his attempt to restore friendly relations between the surgical profession of Austria and that of the United States while operating on crippled children in American hospitals was not surprising.

LOWER FARES: MORE TRAVEL

THE results of a test made in Connecticut with the restoration of a five-cent fare on certain trolley lines show that in the first week there was an increase of more than 100,000 in the number of passengers carried. The increased receipts more than made up for the additional expense involved in handling the excess traffic.

STATE TRIALS AND REPAYMENT

SPEAKING at a meeting in Charleston of American State executives known as the House of Governors, Gray A. Hardee, of Florida, reopened a subject which has heretofore been intermittently discussed, though hardly with the thoroughness which its sociological importance demands.

A NEW ORDER IN CANADA

THE return of the Liberal Party to power in Canada is an augury of closer commercial relations with the United States, likely to prove of substantial benefit to both nations.

COUNCIL AND THE SCHOOLS

AT THE the Commission have issued their methods by organizing the Board of Public Education for increasing its part of the tax rate from a levy to ninety-five cents. We are likely to see the end of the matter.

SOME CHRISTMAS PROSPECTS

WHAT with electricity, central heating, plants and oil fuel, Christmas is being celebrated in a more comfortable and less frugal manner than in the past.

case University, Christmas trees may soon be obsolete. High prices are dealing one blow to the survival of an ancient symbol.

Without it could be proved by charts, graphs and formidable tables of statistics that sentiment is emerging in a people which seeks to be advanced and practical, and that Christmas is-if it represents a gross waste of vital energy. It can also be demonstrated that in every relationship humanity, old and young, is at times impelled by doctors and sociologists, by economists and efficiency experts.

POLITICAL JUDGES

THE Law Association has made a good start in the work of investigating the legal machinery of Philadelphia, a task which it accepted at the request of the Board of Judges, by taking up at the beginning of the year the political Judge.

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3. Who was the first man when did he live?
4. What was the name of Whittier, the famous American artist?
5. What is a bromide?
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2. The name of the noted English play adapter and dramatic critic of the late 18th century, writing chiefly for the French stage, was David Garrick.
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THE eighteen articles of the Irish treaty do not include a shillan.

SHORT CUTS

"10-10-7's" taste of heaven," said the little Japanese. "But while eating, tell me not in mournful numbers 5-7-3."

All that is asked of Ulster is that she shall wear a little sprig of green.

We suspect that eventually the Near East problem will have to content itself with a near solution.

Education Week prompts the thought that it is a wise father, who takes the time to know his own child.

Chinese delegates to the Washington Conference might act with greater wisdom if they didn't have to go home when the Conference is over.

Here in America we cannot fail to feel the effects of the new deal for Ireland. Twisting the British lion's tail has lost much of its savor as a vote-getter.

It is inconceivable that Ulster will want to be separated from the rest of Ireland. Always the north and south have scrapped under the same roof. Who shall dare divorce them?

On reading that prohibition enforcement next year will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000,000 the monstrous bootlegger quantity remarks that it was worth the money.

The warning of Watson, of Georgia, against American meddling in relations between Great Britain and Ireland may, in the light of recent events, be considered as an exercise in futuritarianism and super-erogation.

Carlos Herrera became President of Guatemala in April of last year. Another revolution has now dropped him. Guatemala believes in the turn of the wheel and their motto is "No progress without revolution."

The New York State College of Forestry urges, in the interest of conservation, the use of artificial substitutes for Christmas trees. And the bootlegger, we opine, may approach it with an artificial substitute for the Christmas spirit.

A Vineland, N. J., man whose right hand was amputated a week ago is going to have the member dug up and the fingers straightened. They hurt him, he says. Friends and family members for the responsible his convalescence should have their fingers crossed.

The use of jellium in the big blimp that made the trip to Washington from Hampton Roads and which makes a step in the development of lighter-than-air craft. With a gas that can't explode and does not ignite, air travel should soon be safe as a trolley car.

Those who have read of the horrible conditions existing in the famine regions of Russia will rejoice in the action of the United States Senate in directing the War Department to turn over supplies to the American Relief Administration. Sympathy should know no nationality, hunger has none.

Secretary Hoover says the country's unemployed have decreased about a million during the last few weeks. As that million will be needed to spend its earnings and will be needed to turn over supplies to their needs, and the good work will continue until we get set again and have another spasm of "thrift."

Thomas A. Edison says his son invented a steel shell wheel which could be filled with TNT and be made to roll two miles, cutting through everything in its path, before exploding. Referring to it as a "bullet," he said it would be used in German trenches if the war came to an end. But think of the secret and how things likely to happen in the next war?

The secretary general of the Japanese Agricultural Association of California is touring the United States in search of a field for the Japanese new on the coast, who, he says, are tired of being a colony of alien stock. He has just returned from California, where he was carefully concealed in the interest of international amity.

Today's Anniversaries

1510—Herron Jonathan Meigs became Governor of Ohio.
1802—David Davis, of Illinois, was appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.
1804—Detroit became alarmed by rumors of a Confederate fleet in the city.
1806—The Pope invited the Catholic Bishops to Rome to celebrate the centenary of the martyrdom of Peter and Paul.
1873—Hundreds of buildings destroyed by fire in the Japanese city of Yedo.
1884—The Supreme Court of the United States declared the collection of head-tax on immigrants unconstitutional.
1899—Red Cloud, famous Sioux Indian chief, died of old age at the Pine Ridge agency in North Dakota.
1919—The United States went on soft coal rationing.

Today's Birthdays

William Cardinal O'Connell, of Boston, one of the two members of the Sacred College resident in the United States, born at Lowell, Mass., sixty-two years ago.
Rear Admiral Henry T. Mayo, U. S. N., served at Burlington, Vt., sixty-five years ago.
Bishop Edward Blake, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, born at Durham, N.C., fifty-three years ago.