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RESULTS OF CARELESSNESS

The Canadian dead letter office last year handled 2,168,900 letters, of wnich number 24,575 contained money or valuables.

It is astonishing how many people are careless about their letters. The carelessness does not attach to the matter of direction only; sometimes people will place several silver coins in a letter, and then put a one or a two cent stamp and trust to luck. Often people will fold a cheque or a bank bill into small dimensions and jam it down into the corner of the envelope, and then insert a letter filling the remainder of the space. Careless persons opening letters do not always see all the enclosures.

The dead letter office statistics show that thousands of the people who write do not give much attention to the work or use much common sense in connection with it even though loss and confusion are directly invited by their way of doing things.

THE LAND OF THE FREE

"It is today safer to kill a man in the United States than to kill a deer." This statement is made by Mr. Andrew S. White, formerly president of Cornell University, and afterwards American ambassador at Berlin and St. Petersburg. His astonishing assertion is fortified by statistics calculated to stagger thoughtful American citizens.

Twenty years ago, he says, there were about 1500 murders a year in the United States; there are now 8,000 a year, an increase of five hundred per cent as compared with an increase of twenty-five per cent. in population during the same period. Belgium has the worst record in Europe for homicide, but the United States makes a very much worse showing than Belgium.

In Chicago during the last four years there have been 680 homicides within the city limits, yet in that time there have been but two executions. In other words while a man is killed about every forty-eight hours, there is an execution about every 2 years. Mr. White says that while the machinery of the law is very hard upon small offenders, the proportion of escapes in cases of manslaughter, or murder are so great as to make the law appear ridiculous and to encourage grave crimes of all sorts and kinds.

President Taft, some time ago, spoke very strongly about the failure of the American system of criminal law, dealing particularly with the long delays in the courts and the tendency of such delays to discourage prosecution and encourage disrespect of all laws. Mr. White has made a careful study of the administration of the law in many countries, and his observation has led him to institute comparisons which must be very shocking to his fellow-citizens in the United States.

IT ALL DEPENDS

During the past few days despatches from across the sea give the information that there is talk of civil was in Ulster, (encouraged and nourished by the Unionists) if Ireland is granted a measure of self government.

In referring to this phase of the political situation, the Montreal Witness remarks:—

"It seems that rebellion is all wrong when plotted and indulged in by Roman Catholics, but a high virtue should it take the form of resistance to laws made by a Catholic majority in one's own country. So think some people in Ulster, we do not know how many, who are binding themselves by a solemn oath that they will never obey laws made at Dublin. They will die first. They seem to be true Irishmen, after all. Yet, to this position they have been incited by countless speeches from English Conservative platforms. It was Lord Randolph Churchill who gave forth the slogan, 'Ulster will fight and Ulster will be right.'- Ulster approved of government by the people so long as the rule of the Sassenach was absolute. But the very idea of the Roman Catholics coming into majority reverses all these notions of popular government. In that case they will never obey. We trust that, in spite of the encouragement they got to rebellion from the press of the aristocracy, there are only a few who will, when the time comes be found wrong-minded in this way and these with the smallest admixture of the Puritan stock which has made Ulstermen the promoters of progress in Canada and in all parts of the world."

TOO WONDERFUL WHISKEY

A Remarkable Description of the Welsh Brand

Mr. Lloyd-George informed the House of Commons that the only distillery set up in Wales has been closed, which from the poetical point of view only is a matter of regret "Some years ago," writes a correspondent, "I visited this establishment and found there quite a big brewing of the 'cratur,' of the Welsh equivalent for the same. But what amused me was a document I came across some time afterwards in which Welsh whiskey was lauded to the skies in the following terms:—"Welsh whiskey is the most wonderful whiskey that ever drove the skeleton from the feast or painted landscapes in the brain of man. It is the mingled souls of peat and barley washed white with the waters of the Theweryn. In it you will find the sunshine and shadow that chased each other over the billowy fields, the breath of June, the carol of the lark, the dew of night, the wealth of Summer and Autumn, a rich content, all golden with imprisoned light."

PROFITED BY KING'S FUNERAL

During a county court case at Marylebone recently respecting stands near Edgware-road not being completed by a certain date, Mr. R. B. V. Currie, of the Victoria Seating Company, said he made about £1,000 profit in the series of transactions providing seats from which to view the late King's funeral procession.

WRITES WITHOUT GLASSES

The Windsor Record received a letter from Joseph N. Jordon, who, a few days ago, celebrated the anniversary of his 90th birthday. The letter was written without the aid of glasses, and with a quill pen. The letter would have done credit to and outclassed many of our business men's handwriting of half the age. Mr. Jordan has been a resident of Windsor for 25 years now and next month will celebrate the anniversary of 60 years of married life.

MRS. EDDY'S WORK WILL CONTINUE

The Founder of the Christian Science Church Left Written Instructions

Boston, Dec. 6.—Even in death Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy will shape the destinies of the Christian Science Church, and after her body is laid to rest on Thursday, the affairs of the greatest of new schools of thought and religion will go on as though governed by the living hand of the founder. Through the written commandments of Mrs. Eddy the board of directors of the mother church will continue the work. A meeting of the directors with Archibald McClellan, chairman, presiding, was called for to-day, when, it was said, it would be definitely decided where Mrs. Eddy's body will be buried. It was also to be decided whether or not a sculptor would be allowed to take a death mask of the dead leader.

The funeral on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock will be held with the utmost simplicity, and the attendance will be small, numbering the membership of the mother church; General Henry M. Baker, Mrs. Eddy's second cousin; George W. Glover, of Lead, S.D., her son; Miss Mary Glover; Alfred Farlow, chairman of the Christian Science publication committee; Frederick Dixon, chairman of the publication committee of Great Britain and Ireland, and others interested in the church or intimately connected with Mrs. Eddy.

MRS. MARY BAKER G. EDDY

Founder of Christian Science, who died on Saturday, in her 90th year.

Two reports are current as to the place of burial. One is that the remains will be interred in a costly mausoleum in a cemetery near Chestnut Hill, the other is that the remains will be placed in a crypt beneath the altar of the mother church. A conference of members of the Eddy household and her near relatives was called for to-day. It was declared that plans for the mausoleum would be discussed then. According to this report the structure will be a masterpiece of architecture—costly yet small.

BLIZZARD BRINGS WOE

New York's Poor Suffering Intensely From the Cold and Snow

New York, Dec. 6.—The first real blizzard of the winter struck New York to-day. A heavy fall of snow, accompanied by cutting winds, caused injuries to more than three score persons and drove hundreds of poor to seek shelter in charitable institutions and lodging houses. Traffic was crippled to a great extent. At the municipal lodging house 600 persons were cared for, a record this year. Of these, 30 were women and 10 children of tender ages, who were found wandering in the snow storm.

DIRECT LEGISLATION

Manitoba is to be Educated in Regard to the Referendum

Winnipeg, Dec. 6.—In the last provincial elections the question of the referendum and direct legislation played an important part. It was one of the planks of the Liberal party. There is a league in Winnipeg with the avowed purpose of securing this legislation for the province. With a view of carrying on a campaign of education in the province F. E. Coulter, an Oregon orator, will make a month's tour of the province.

JESSIE CULP INJURED

St. Catharines, Ont. Dec. 6.—Jessie Culp, the little daughter of James Culp, of Jordan, was run over by a team of sharp shod horses on the hill near the post office in that village, last evening. Her condition is alarming.

COLD IN WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Dec. 6.—The coldest December weather for years was experienced last night. The official statement gave 26 below zero as the coldest during the night. At 9 o'clock it was 20 below zero. The cold wave extends all over the West.

WHEN TROUT ARE RAVENOUS

The trout in the Elk river and tributary streams have never before been so ravenous as during the past week. Many phenomenal catches have been reported. It is presumed that the smoke of the last fortnight has put a quietus on much insect life and the fish are hungry in consequence.—Fernie Free Press.

IN THE DARK

Diogenes returned from his search for an honest man.

"Given up the chase?" they inquired.

"It became a matter of necessity," replied the philosopher. "Someone stole my lantern."

IT'S ONLY TWO WEEKS TILL XMAS

THAT'S WHY OUR CHRISTMAS SALE IS NOW ON

Don't puzzle over the gift problem. Just come in and begin and be your wishes what they may, you are sure to be pleased with our generous assortment of exclusive gifts of merit

Perfumes
are always in wide demand at holiday time, and this is the time that quality should be insisted upon. We have an immense stock of the best perfumes. We have them both in bulk and in packages. Our beautiful holiday packages will make suitable gifts..... 25c to $6.00

Sachet Powders
In the best popular odors in air tight pretty bottles; each 75c

Toilet Waters
All the good makes in most popular odors; also Colognes you will find in abundance here. 25c to $1.00

Perfume Atomizers
In great variety, comprising many styles. These make acceptable and serviceable gifts. We sell them empty or you can have them filled with any perfume..... 50c to $2.00

Chamois Vests
make splendid and durable gifts. We have them in all sizes for both ladies and gentlemen. Each $1.50 to..... $2.00

Ebony Pieces
Ebony Files 35c
Ebony Cuticle Knives 35c
Ebony Salve Boxes ... 25c to 75c
Ebony Button Hooks 35c
Ebony Buffers..... 35c to 75c
Ebony Glove Stretches 75c

Brush Sets
To hang on the wall, containing hat and cloth brushes are handgifts..... $1.35 to $5.00

Razors
To many women the most puzzling question Christmas brings is, "What shall I get him?" Did you ever think that the "gift worth while" is a

Gillette Safety Razor, we have them in Standard Sets..... $5.00
Pocket Editions ..... $5.00 to $6.00
Combination Sets $7.50
also
Autostrop Razors..... $5.00
Carbo-Magnetic Razors..... $2.00
Ever-Ready Safety $1.00

Fancy Back Combs
We wish to maintain our reputation for having the swellest Back Combs in town. We have them in beautiful settings. Nothing more suitable for a lady..... $1.00 to $9.00

Mirrors
All that is good in Mirrors, you will find in our superb assortment.

GENUINE EBONY of the finest make in the world. We have these in round and oval shapes and in many sizes, $1.75 to $4.50

EBONOID MIRRORS, different sizes, round, oval and oblong. 50c to $1.50

SHAVING MIRRORS. Many kinds including Folding Mirrors, Stand Mirrors, Extention Mirrors, also some magnifying on one side and natural on the other..... 25c to $4.00

You will have to see these beautiful goods to appreciate them and we feel that you will select some for gifts.

Keep this list for reference as we will have other things equally as interesting to tell you about next week.

SELECT EARLY and it will be kept for you.

Dunoons Drug Store

THE HOME OF REXALL REMEDIES

A DIAMOND ROMANCE

When "She" Saw "Him" in Uniform It was Love at First Sight

A pretty romance of the baseball diamond has been made known at Sacramento by the announcement of the engagement of Miss Edith Wolfe, a niece of the late Senator Thomas G. Platt, of New York, and Benjamin Hunt, southpaw pitcher of the Boston American League team, who was formerly a member of the pitching staff of the Sacramento Coast team. Miss Wolfe, who is a former Vassar girl, and was for a time on the stage, first met Hunt while he was attending college in Oklahoma, but it was not until he was playing in a Sacramento uniform that the mutual admiration began. Miss Wolfe is an ardent admirer of the game, and reading an article by Hugh Fullerton on pitching, caused her to send a number of the magazines to pitchers whose work she esteemed on the diamond. Hunt was not satisfied until he learned the identity of the fanette and finally arranged to tell her inside facts about pitching which Fullerton had failed to mention. The lesson in pitching was coached by Dan Cupid.

Cobb's record against Young, the grand old man of baseball, was two hits in nine attempts, for an average of .222. He had the same mark against Walter Johnson, with the difference that he faced the Idaho phenom. eighteen times and made four bingles.

KILLED BY A BEE STING

While gathering mushrooms at Kirdford, Sussex, England, where he was spending his holidays, Mr. Wm. Mortimer Rhind, was stung on the forehead by a bee, and in half an hour he was dead. The medical verdict is that death was the result of shock, Mr. Rhind, ever since he was a lad, having had an abnormal dread of bees. He was severely stung by one when at school.

SIR GILBERT PARKER

The well-known Canadian who has again been elected for Gravesend on the Unionist ticket.

HANS HOLMER

The Great Long-Distance Walker from Halifax

A NEW CHAMPION

Among the Middleweight Boxers of Great Britain

Tom Thomas, of Penycraig, was boxed out of the middle-weight championship of Great Britain by Jim Sullivan, of Bermondsey, at the National Sporting Club, London, last month.

The result astonished nearly every one but those who had a due appreciation of Sullivan's great boxing ability, and the fact that Thomas had been so careful in his matchmaking that he had never previously had a serious trial given to his abilities as a boxer, were mindful of the fact that Sullivan might take Lord Lonsdale's belt.

A PAINFUL JOKE

Mrs. Crimsonbeak—"What are you going to do with that porous plaster, John?"

Mr. Crimsonbeak—"I'm going to see what tune it will play on the player piano."

Brief Paragraphs From Bobcaygeon

(Special to The Post).

A number of young people from the village drove out to Mr. Devitt's, North Verulam, Friday evening last and report a good time and a dandy sleighride.

The marsh and lake are frozen over and the village sports had hockey going in full swing Saturday. Fearing that the snow would spoil the skating a large number skated in the evening.

Mr. Richard Nichols has charge of the skating rink again this year. Flooding was commenced Thursday, and if the weather remains cool we will have skating within the enclosure for Saturday night.

Mr. Bruce and Fred Walker returned home last week after a brief stay in Cobalt.

Mr. Robt. Kennedy, one of our general merchants, has decided that the Benedicts are by far the strongest party. Mr. Kennedy was married recently in Lindsay by the Rev. Mr. Wallace.

The Boy Scouts are advertising a concert in the town hall Friday evening next. The programme is entirely local talent, and a good one, and as the proceeds go towards fitting the scouts with uniforms the house should be a bumper one.

Mr. Percy Nichols, of the village, was married in Fenelon Falls last week to Miss Weddup, formerly of Lindsay.

The "Bob" band are giving a musical concert in the town hall Christmas night. The proceeds go towards the purchase of new instruments and music.

The merchants are busy satisfying the requirements of Xmas shoppers. Many of them have decorated their windows in an enticing style, but the sporting editor claims there is nothing like advertising.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube rest red to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

SPECIAL XMAS SALE

This year we are in a better position for the Xmas Trade than ever before. Space is too small to tell you of all the splendid bargains we have gotten together for this Xmas Sale, but before you buy your Xmas presents take a look at our stock. Remember our stock is all new, we have no old bankrupt stock to offer you that has been on the shelves for years.

We have a very large range of Toys, Dolls, Games, and at prices we hane never before been in a position to offer.

We have just received a beautiful assortment of leather goods. Ladies Hand Bags from 50c to $5.00. Gentlemen's Collar and Cuff Boxes some very fine goods at very special prices

Also just arrived a special purchase of Musical Instuments, Violins, Violin Bows, Auto Harps etc.

A special line of Hand Painted China suitable for small remembrances and a line of beautiful china suitable for other gifts.

Our stock of Xmas Decorations, Xmas Bells, Xmas Tree Ornaments is now complete and the best values we have ever had. A special line of Xmas Post Cards at 10c a dozen.

See Our Beautiful Window Display
Store Open Every Night Till Xmas

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