Hospital for Sick Children

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(Country Branch, Thistletown)

December, 1932.

Dear Mr. Editor:

The prolonged period of hard times has created a most difficult problem for Ontario's world-famous Hospital for Sick Children, which only the benevolent public can solve. Here it is, in a nutshell:

The Hospital has nursed in its cots this year 7,694 small sufferers, an increase of 687 over the total of the previous year. In addition 84,202 treatments were given in the great Out-Patient Department, an increase of 16,092. On one day 520 treatments were recorded. In the previous year there was a similar growth in the demand for the merciful ministrations of the Hospital. While all this has been going on the amounts of the donations from the kind-hearted have decreased by many thousands of dollars, creating the situation of far more to be done and far less to do it with.

The statutory grants obtained by the Hospital fall much short of being sufficient to pay for the actual cost of maintenance of the little patients and each additional patient means an added deficit. The task of bridging the gap between the cost of operation and operating income has usually been accomplished by contributions from the benevolent. While the Hospital has retained the majority of its friends who kindly donate to its work yearly, and is continually adding new ones, donations diminished to a somewhat alarming extent in the response to last year's appeal for funds and there has been little improvement in that respect throughout the year. It is unthinkable that any child needing the humane service provided by the Hospital should be refused. The Trustees are anxious and can only hope that the kind-hearted people of the province will see them through the difficulty by a most generous response to the present appeal.

Public benevolence has built the Hospital for Sick Children to the proud eminence of being the finest institution of its kind in the world. Its country branch at Thistletown is a recognized model and persons interested in child welfare come from all parts of the globe to inspect it. Any child in the Province of Ontario, deformed or diseased, is eligible for admittance to this wonderful institution, where the very finest treatment known to medical and surgical science is at once available. There is no class or creed distinction. The very best that any Hospital can give is placed within easy reach of the poorest child.

Now, more urgently than ever before, is the Hospital in need of contributions and no amount would be considered too small. Please ask the benevolent in your community to help. Tell them that the story of the Hospital, covering 57 years, is not that of merely adding cot to cot and ward to ward. It is the story of a battle constantly waged against disease and deformity, with all the advancing resources of the medical and surgical sciences. It is a story of demands which have ever exceeded the financial resources, but which have always been met by generous response to appeals for aid. But for this generosity the Hospital would many times have been bankrupt. Ask your readers, please, to prevent it from becoming so now.

Faithfully yours,
DOUGLAS S. ROBERTSON,
Trustee.

Ancient Chinese Mirrors

Mirrors were important to the Chinese not only as aids to vanity but also because of the belief that they dispelled evil spirits and goblins, according to Dr. Berthold Laufer, curator of anthropology. The common superstition that breaking a mirror brings bad luck prevails in China and goes far back into antiquity.

"The breaking of a mirror in China augurs a separation from one's wife by death or otherwise and is second in evil potent only to smashing an oil jar," Dr. Laufer said. "An old legend tells of a husband and wife who were compelled to part shortly after breaking a mirror. Each took half of the broken mirror as a pledge of fidelity. Subsequently the wife violated her promise of faithfulness, and her part of the mirror changed into a magpie which flew to her husband to tell him. This legend led to the decoration of many mirrors with carved or other representations of magpies."

Until the introduction of glass mirrors from Europe, in comparatively modern times, all Chinese mirrors were cast of bronze, sometimes alloyed with gold or solver, or of iron, the reflecting surface being highly polished by means of mercury and sometimes by a coating of black lacquer. The backs were usually artistically decorated. Mirrors were used in burials, being placed face downward in the grave with the idea of lighting the grave and keeping evil spirits away. It was the ancient belief that spirits and goblins could render themselves invisible, but that their images would at once become visible when reflected in a mirror, and to avoid this they would retreat from mirrors. For this reason, Dr. Laufer says, mirrors still function as charms and are suspended in front of bed curtains.

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The race of mankind would perish did they cease to aid each other.—Wordsworth.

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Repose

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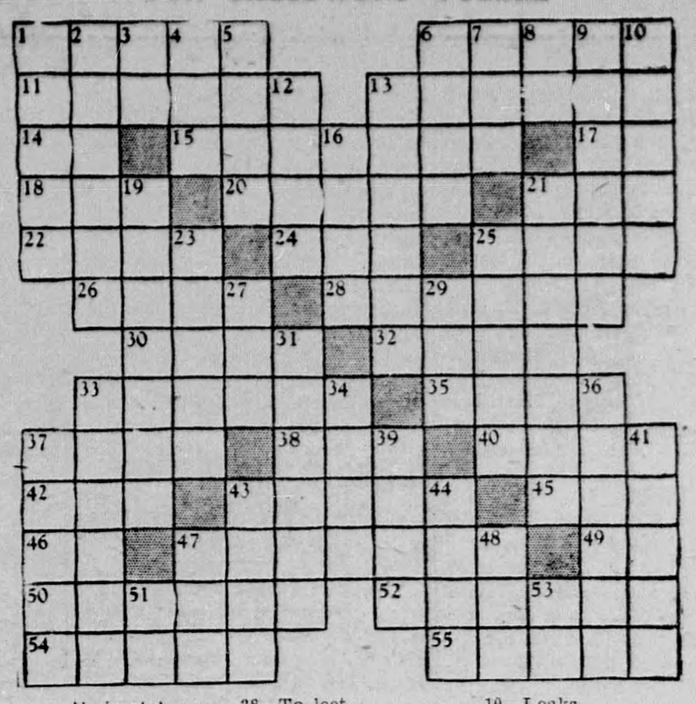
To win the palm, the oak, or bays,
And their uncessant labours see
Crown'd from some single herb or tree,
Whose short and narrow verged shade
Does prudently their toils upbraid;
While all the flowers and trees do close
To weave the garlands of Repose.
—Andrew Marvell.

"You know, you've been engaged a long time, old man. Why don't you marry her?" "I've been thinking about it, Joe—but where should I spend my evenings if I did?"

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



Horizontal

1—Limited
6—King with golden touch
11—Race officials
13—Pledge
14—Conjunction
15—Form of insurance
17—Pronoun
18—To cool
20—Attends
21—A dandy
22—Point of moon
24—Fit of irritation
25—Vessels
26—Proofreader's word
28—To support
30—Man's name
32—Girl's name
33—To shrink
35—Biblical town
37—To arrive
38—To loot
40—Positions
42—Auxiliary verb
43—Lines roof
45—Animal
46—Part of "to be"
47—To imply
49—Look
50—Elementary substances
52—Bird
54—To scrutinize
55—Animals

Vertical

1—Patient
2—Amphitheatre
3—Part of "to be"
4—To clear
5—To suppose
6—Provides crew
7 Indignation
8—To perform
9—Nut
10—Leaks
12—Cooky
13—Opposed
16—Joins
19—Respects
21—Zealot
23—Coins
25—Color
27—Overly
29—Tooth
31—Sea nymphs
33—Wanderer
34—Meat
36—Physician
37—To gnash
39—Political group
41—Packs
43—Cabbage-like plant
44—Remainder
47—Vehicle
48—Rather
51—Toward
53—French article

Owl Laffs

Christmas

Again we approach what ought to be the happiest season of the year—Christmas. How it has always thrilled us since childhood! But how about those who have not been so fortunate this year? Let us spend our Christmas this year in the most unselfish way that we have ever done. If you do not, personally, know some family with whom to share a happy Christmas, make inquiry among your friends and they will give you the name of some worthy one. In spreading joy amongst the unfortunate, you are also spreading joy in your own heart.

School Teacher (during English lesson)—"I didn't have no fun at the seaside."—How should I correct that, Jack?"

Jack—"Get a sweetheart, miss."

Tailor (measuring a new customer)—"What about a small deposit, sir?"

Customer—"Just as you like; put one in if it's stylish."

Reading in buses is very bad for the eyes, writes an optician. Especially when the person whose paper you are reading won't keep still.

Most successful men are just common people who applied themselves in an uncommon way.

When someone asked why prayers are ended with "Amen" instead of "A woman" someone else suggested that it was for the same reason that they sing hymns and not hers.

Wife—"John, the clock fell off the wall, and if it had been a minute sooner it would have hit poor mother!"

John—"I always said that clock was slow."

Wife—"I'm going to town this afternoon."

Hubby—"Shopping?"

Wife—"No; I won't have time. I just want to get some things I need."

A newsparer headline reads: "Burglars Surprised by Bank Officials Working Late."

Who wouldn't be?

Dramatist—"Why are you going away already? There are three more acts to come."

Guest—"Sorry, that's why I'm going away."

Young Wife—"Pierre is perfectly wonderful to me mother. He gives me everything I ask for."

Mother—"That merely shows, my dear, that you are not asking for enough."

Employer (to office boy who wants afternoon off for grandmother's funeral)—"My boy, be economical. Don't waste your grandmothers so early in the season; save them for the cupties."

Mary—"I didn't know Ted had any idea of marrying you." Ann—"He didn't. That was my idea."

So many people are so busy wondering what the other fellow is doing that they themselves accomplish nothing.

Philip, seven years old, returned from playing with a little neighbor girl. After a thoughtful silence he asked:

Philip—"Mother, is it wrong for little boys to kiss little girls?"

Mother—"No, it isn't wrong, but I think you had better keep your kisses for mother and baby sister for a while yet."

Philip—"I'm sorry, mother if I ought to have kept 'em, for there's seventeen gone already."

Friend—"You will soon forget her and be happy again."

Jilted Lover—"Oh, no, I shan't. I've bought too much for her on the instalment plan."

Slight Drafts

The fellow to whom harp music is distasteful is going to have a tough time in heaven. So long as you are happy, what does it matter where you are or what you have? It is all right to "give the devil his due," but there is no sense in adding a bonus. Do you really think you are capable of sitting down to-day and telling some young man what he really should do?

Gravity

Gravity, generosity of soul, sincerity, earnestness and kindness, constitute perfect virtue.—Confucius.

We pity in others only those evils which we have ourselves experienced.—Rousseau.

+ Do You Know? +

That the caribou in the Yukon migrate twice yearly? In the Spring they migrate northward and in the Autumn they migrate southward. They always travel in large herds and not even the swiftest streams can stay their movement from one part of the country to another. The photograph shows only a small portion of a large herd on its way across the mighty Whitehorse River in the Yukon.

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FELL DOWN IN THE STREET

He Dreaded Going Out

A MARTYR TO RHEUMATISM

It must have taken some time for this man's rheumatism to have become so severe. He does not say anything about that. But he does make it clear that it needed only four or five months of Kruschen to make him forget all about the pain he once suffered.

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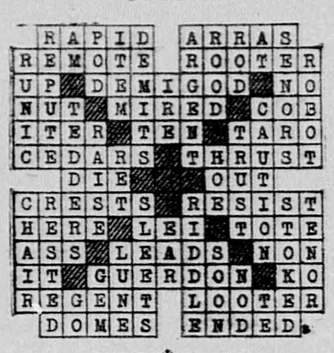
ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



Wrong Number

Brown had dialled his home telephone number.

"Hullo," he said, "Is that Mrs. Brown?"

"Yes."

"This is Jack speaking. I say, dear, will it be all right if I bring home a couple of friends to dinner?"

"Certainly, darling."

"Did you hear what I said?"

"Yes—you asked if you could bring a couple of friends to dinner. Of course you can, dear."

"Sorry, madam," he said, preparing to ring off. "I've got the wrong Mrs. Brown."

Young Wife (returning to village after runaway match)—"I suppose my elopement was a nine-days' wonder?" Village Worthy—"It would 'ave been, mum, only Buggins's dog went mad the same evenin'."

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