

DREADED EPID
A Case That Should
Go to Other Suffer

DENIED SUNSHINE OF LIFE

Figures Show That Number of Blind and Deaf and Dumb Has Decreased In Dominion

A despatch from Ottawa says: The number of people in Canada who are either blind or deaf and dumb is shown by the latest census bulletin to be less than at any time during the past thirty years. There are many more, however, of unsound mind. Thirty years ago there were eight males and six females blind out of every ten thousand. The figures now are 4.8 and 4.1. There are just as many deaf and dumb as there were in 1881, six in ten thousand as against twelve. Women are a little the less unfortunate in both cases. It is interesting to note that of men afflicted with loss of sight three more are married than have remained single, while 235 are now widowers. Blind women seem to be unfortunate in losing their husbands—239 still have spouses, 429 no longer have, while 618 never had. There are forty more blind people in Quebec than in Ontario. The total for all Canada is 4,584. The deaf and dumb are not so much married, seven out of ten both male and female remaining in a state of single blessedness. Out of 4,584 with this infirmity, 1,410 are residents of Ontario, two hundred less than Quebec.

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wives. There are 1,251,408 married women in Canada; of these 2,484 are regarded by the census bulletin to be less than at any time during the past thirty years. There are many more, however, of unsound mind. Thirty years ago there were eight males and six females blind out of every ten thousand. The figures now are 4.8 and 4.1. There are just as many deaf and dumb as there were in 1881, six in ten thousand as against twelve. Women are a little the less unfortunate in both cases. It is interesting to note that of men afflicted with loss of sight three more are married than have remained single, while 235 are now widowers. Blind women seem to be unfortunate in losing their husbands—239 still have spouses, 429 no longer have, while 618 never had. There are forty more blind people in Quebec than in Ontario. The total for all Canada is 4,584. The deaf and dumb are not so much married, seven out of ten both male and female remaining in a state of single blessedness. Out of 4,584 with this infirmity, 1,410 are residents of Ontario, two hundred less than Quebec.

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All Dealers

DROP IN THE BIRTH RATE.

The Decrease in Ontario Is in Line with Trend of Past Few Years.

A despatch from Toronto says: The little, scantly-clad gentleman known as Cupid, spent a busy 12 months in 1912, his efforts in Ontario bringing an increase of 3,030 marriages, or at the rate of 0.9 per thousand population; but in spite of this fact the provincial birth rate continues on the down grade.

The report of the Registrar-General shows a birth rate of only 22.4, the lowest since 1903, and two points below 1911. The responsibility for Ontario's declining birth rate apparently rests with the cities and towns. The cities with a record of 23,929 marriages were able to report only 15,917 births, while the rural municipalities of the province, with but 10,910 marriages, had 33,028 births, or a considerably better percentage. The total number of births in Ontario was 50,870, with 28,845 marriages.

The province is still making progress in the reduction of its death rate, and now has a rate lower than most of the leading countries of the world. During 1912 there were 32,150 deaths, a rate of 12.4 per thousand, or 2 lower than in 1911. The saddening part of the report, that dealing with illegitimate births, shows an increase of 16%, bringing the rate up to 21.3 per thousand births. The cities of the province contributed 72 per cent. of the illegitimacy.

The records show less marrying between Protestants and Roman Catholics, 820 men and 1,065 women of the Catholic Church marrying outside their faith. Almost two-thirds of the marriages are contracted between the ages of 20 and 30. A number of unusual marriages were recorded, one man of 25 marrying a woman over 70. Three women under 30 years of age married men over 70.

The fight against the "white plague" is making steady headway, although the reduction in the death rate from this disease was less in 1912 than in several years previous.

The death list was 2,250, a decrease of 103, and a reduction in ratio of .01 per cent. At the present time about seven per cent. of the deaths in Ontario are due to tuberculosis, and the heaviest toll is taken upon young people of between 20 and 30.

It will astonish some people to know that one out of every 10 children born in Ontario dies before reaching five years of age. In 1912 8,230 children under the age of five years died, 6,494 of them before completing the twelfth month, a rate of 110.3 per thousand births.

There were 200 less deaths from diarrhoea than in 1911, the rate from this dangerous infant trouble being the lowest in six years, due largely to the greater interest taken in child welfare and in educating young mothers to take more intelligent care of their children.

GUESTS OF THE KING.

Unique Gathering at Holborn Restaurant in London.

A despatch from London says: At the stroke of six on Friday evening the work of beautifying Buckingham Palace with a new front of white Portland stone, estimated to cost £60,000, was completed on the expected hour. Later the British workers engaged in a notable undertaking. Numbering some 500 they were seated in Holborn restaurant at a dinner, as the proud and happy guests of the King. Sir Derek Keppel, representing the King, declared it his Majesty's wish that they enjoy themselves. The King sent a message congratulating the guests on their remarkable achievement and the rapidity of its execution. The workmen came in their best clothes and some displayed with pride their trade union buttons. Others wore magnificent buttonholes formed of the best flowers from their gardens. The evening finished with a short concert. The workmen included masons, laborers, bricklayers, carpenters, and fitters. Many came in new caps, two in straw hats, and a number in bowlers. Those with an advantage, for they had not to face the mysteries of the cloakroom, simply put their caps in their pockets and kept them to wave in the air when they cheered their host, after singing "God Save the King."

WILSON SENDS ULTIMATUM.

Notifies President of Mexico That He Must Resign Office.

A despatch from Mexico City says: President Huerta has been told he must resign the Presidency of Mexico without loss of time, and that he must not leave as his successor Gen. Blanquet, his Minister of War, or any other member of his official family, or of the unofficial coterie whom he might be expected to control. This ultimatum from Washington was conveyed to President Huerta through his private Secretary, Señor Rabago, by Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American Charge d'Affaires, on Monday, acting under instructions from the State Department.

A GOOD IDEA.

Western Provinces to Take Care of the Feeble-Minded.

A despatch from Winnipeg says:

It is understood that negotiations are far advanced between the Governments of the three prairie provinces whereby each will take

charge, for the three, of one of the three branches of feeble-minded, blind, and deaf and dumb institutional work. Alberta will look after the feeble-minded. Saskatchewan the blind, and Manitoba the deaf and dumb. The old Manitoba Government Agricultural College on the banks of the Assiniboine River, southwest of the city, comprising fine buildings, erected only a few years ago, will be established as a college for the deaf and dumb.

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FREIGHT SHEDS BURNED.

Large Quantity of Goods Also Destroyed at St. Catharines.

A despatch from St. Catharines says: About 7:30 on Monday evening fire totally destroyed the main Grand Trunk freight sheds here, containing a large quantity of freight. Nine cars loaded with freight and several boarding cars for workmen were also burned and a number of other cars damaged. The fire was first discovered in an empty freight car in the middle of a long line of cars, and owing to a heavy gale of wind, which was blowing directly on to the freight sheds, quickly spread to that structure, and in a few minutes it was on fire from end to end. The loss will reach \$60,000.

North Frontenac and Addington county teachers have formed an association.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA

Froes of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Products at Home and Abroad

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Nov. 4.—Flour—Ontario wheat flours, 30 per cent., made of new wheat, \$3.45 to \$5.00, seaboard, and \$3.55 locally. Manitoba—First patents, in jute bags, \$2.50 to \$3.00; strong bakers, in jute bags, \$4.40. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 new Northern, 25 to 30 on track; Bay port, and No. 2 at 30 outside.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 wheat, \$1 to \$2 outside.

No. 2 Ontario oats, \$1 to \$2, outside, and \$1 to \$1.50 in Toronto. Western Canada old oats, \$2.40 for No. 2 and at \$2 for No. 3. Hay—port.

Rye—Nominal at \$1 to \$5, outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, \$7 to \$8.

Minneapolis, Nov. 4.—American corn, 74.40, oif.

Milk—No. 2, 65c, outside.

Buckwheat—\$2 to \$3.

Toronto Freight Shores, \$24, Toronto,

Country Produce.

Butter—Choate dairy, 22 to 24¢; inferior, 20 to 21¢; creamery, 27 to 29¢; 12¢ for rolls, and 26 to 28¢ for solids.

Eggs—Case lots of new-laid, 35 to 36¢ per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 to 20¢ for "large" and 14 to 16¢ for "twins."

Cheddar—Old cheese, 14 to 20¢ per bushel; prime, \$1.75 to \$3.

Honey—Extracted, in bins, 11 to 12¢ per lb. for No. 1 come, \$3 to \$3.25 per dozen.

Poultry—Fowl, 12 to 14¢ per pound; chickens, 17 to 19¢; ducks, 12 to 16¢ geese, 13 to 15¢; turkeys, fresh, No. 1, 21 to 22¢; fowl, 15 to 18¢; geese, 18 to 20¢.

Bacon—Pork, 14 to 16¢ per pound; hams, 22 to 24¢.

Lard—Tallow, 14 to 16¢; pails, 14 to 16¢.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1 at \$1 to \$1.50 a ton, on track here; No. 2 quoted at \$1.50 to \$1.75, mixed and mixed at \$1.

Baled straw—\$7.75 to \$8, on track. To-

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Nov. 4.—Cash prices—Wheat.

No. 1 Northern, \$2.30; No. 2, \$2.30;

No. 3, \$2.30; No. 4, 73.12¢; No. 5, 73.12¢; No. 6, 73.12¢; No. 7, 73.12¢; No. 8, 73.12¢; No. 9, 73.12¢; No. 10, 73.12¢; No. 11, 73.12¢; No. 12, 73.12¢; No. 13, 73.12¢; No. 14, 73.12¢; No. 15, 73.12¢; No. 16, 73.12¢; No. 17, 73.12¢; No. 18, 73.12¢; No. 19, 73.12¢; No. 20, 73.12¢; No. 21, 73.12¢; No. 22, 73.12¢; No. 23, 73.12¢; No. 24, 73.12¢; No. 25, 73.12¢; No. 26, 73.12¢; No. 27, 73.12¢; No. 28, 73.12¢; No. 29, 73.12¢; No. 30, 73.12¢; No. 31, 73.12¢; No. 32, 73.12¢; No. 33, 73.12¢; No. 34, 73.12¢; No. 35, 73.12¢; No. 36, 73.12¢; No. 37, 73.12¢; No. 38, 73.12¢; No. 39, 73.12¢; No. 40, 73.12¢; No. 41, 73.12¢; No. 42, 73.12¢; No. 43, 73.12¢; No. 44, 73.12¢; No. 45, 73.12¢; No. 46, 73.12¢; No. 47, 73.12¢; No. 48, 73.12¢; No. 49, 73.12¢; No. 50, 73.12¢; No. 51, 73.12¢; No. 52, 73.12¢; No. 53, 73.12¢; No. 54, 73.12¢; No. 55, 73.12¢; No. 56, 73.12¢; No. 57, 73.12¢; No. 58, 73.12¢; No. 59, 73.12¢; No. 60, 73.12¢; No. 61, 73.12¢; No. 62, 73.12¢; No. 63, 73.12¢; No. 64, 73.12¢; No. 65, 73.12¢; No. 66, 73.12¢; No. 67, 73.12¢; No. 68, 73.12¢; No. 69, 73.12¢; No. 70, 73.12¢.

United States Markets.

Minneapolis, Nov. 4.—Corn, American No. 1, Northern, \$2.40; No. 2, 73.12¢; No. 3, 73.12¢; No. 4, 73.12¢; No. 5, 73.12¢; No. 6, 73.12¢; No. 7, 73.12¢; No. 8, 73.12¢; No. 9, 73.12¢; No. 10, 73.12¢; No. 11, 73.12¢; No. 12, 73.12¢; No. 13, 73.12¢; No. 14, 73.12¢; No. 15, 73.12¢; No. 16, 73.12¢; No. 17, 73.12¢; No. 18, 73.12¢; No. 19, 73.12¢; No. 20, 73.12¢; No. 21, 73.12¢; No. 22, 73.12¢; No. 23, 73.12¢; No. 24, 73.12¢; No. 25, 73.12¢; No. 26, 73.12¢; No. 27, 73.12¢; No. 28, 73.12¢; No. 29, 73.12¢; No. 30, 73.12¢; No. 31, 73.12¢; No. 32, 73.12¢; No. 33, 73.12¢; No. 34, 73.12¢; No. 35, 73.12¢; No. 36, 73.12¢; No. 37, 73.12¢; No. 38, 73.12¢; No. 39, 73.12¢; No. 40, 73.12¢; No. 41, 73.12¢; No. 42, 73.12¢; No. 43, 73.12¢; No. 44, 73.12¢; No. 45, 73.12¢; No. 46, 73.12¢; No. 47, 73.12¢; No. 48, 73.12¢; No. 49, 73.12¢; No. 50, 73.12¢; No. 51, 73.12¢; No. 52, 73.12¢; No. 53, 73.12¢; No. 54, 73.12¢; No. 55, 73.12¢; No. 56, 73.12¢; No. 57, 73.12¢; No. 58, 73.12¢; No. 59, 73.12¢; No. 60, 73.12¢; No. 61, 73.12¢; No. 62, 73.12¢; No. 63, 73.12¢; No. 64, 73.12¢; No. 65, 73.12¢; No. 66, 73.12¢; No. 67, 73.12¢; No. 68, 73.12¢; No. 69, 73.12¢; No. 70, 73.12¢.

Live Stock Markets.

Montreal, Nov. 4.—Small bulls sold at

about 4 cents per pound, and stockers at

4 to 6 cents per pound.

Calves, 3 to 6 1/2¢. Sheep, about 4 to 6¢.

Lambs, about 6 1/2¢. Hogs, 9 1/2 to 12¢.

Do. matting, 28 to 30¢. Mutton, 6 1/2 to 8¢.

Do. to 12 1/2¢. Pigs, 15 to 20¢. Wheat, 5¢.

Do. bacon, 55¢ to 60¢. Eggs, 73¢ to 75¢.

Butter, 14 to 16¢. Cheddar, 14 to 16¢.

Cheese, 14 to 16¢. Flour, 73¢ to 75¢.

Meal, 73¢ to 75¢. Bacon, 73¢ to 75¢