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EDITORIAL

The Copying Sentinel-Star completed its 10th volume last week. The Sentinel-Star is one of Ontario's brightest weeklies. Its constant effort to represent Ontario in the truest sense, loyalty supporting her best interests and intelligently advocating measures for the betterment of the community.

The principle of proportional representation is evidently impressing itself upon the attention of statesmen and governments. An investigation into the working methods of the proportional representation election system is to be made at once in Alberta and Ontario.

An extra of The Canada Gazette announced that the act amending the opium and drug act which was passed at the summer session of the House of Commons, becomes effective from December 31, 1910.

The New Year's message to the nation, sent out by Prime Minister Lloyd George, is not only characteristic of this great man, but it reveals an intelligent and comprehensive personal knowledge of the prevailing conditions and the spirit most needed to place the empire in the position most desirable for future unity and prosperity.

Occasionally unfavorable criticisms are still heard respecting the Hydro organization for generation and distribution of electrical energy. This is rarely found, however, among those who have experienced the benefits and privileges conferred by this system of providing electric current.

By the action of the Dominion Government in lifting the ban upon the liquor traffic and restoring that enemy of our country to its pro-war status, Canada has been humiliated and disgraced in the eyes of the world.

With all the forward movement and uplift talk now going on many people seem to overlook the fact that loyalty to our own community—which means ourselves—is sadly lacking. Every time we pass our local places and find our money to the cities for goods of any kind we are helping to pull down the home institutions which are absolutely necessary to all financial, social and moral progress.

The Government at Ottawa has evidently been "hearing things" as a result of their action in cancelling the order-in-council prohibiting interprovincial trade in liquor. An official statement has been issued by the Government setting forth the difficulties in regard to temperance legislation.

Palestine may again become the country of the Jews in fact as well as in sentiment. A great tide of emigration is sweeping into that country, influenced by the conviction that Great Britain will shortly accept a mandate for the Holy Land and that the dream of a national home for the Jews is about to be realized.

A careful study of conditions, says The Express, leads us to the conclusion that municipalities of Newmarket's size would be better served if the county and town councils were divorced.

The Kingston Whig passes on some same advice to those desiring to stop a subscription to a newspaper. It says there is probably no man engaged in the newspaper business in Ontario who is not actually acquainted with a man whose excuse for discontinuing his subscription is that he already "has more papers than he can read."

The New Year with all its business activities is now open and before us. The past year was one of many surprises. Month after month surprises have followed in regular succession.

The idea that the mail order business will be the one to flourish in the future is a very old one. It has been tried many times before and has always failed. The reason for this is that the mail order business is a very difficult one to conduct.

SMILES. "In these times when a wife can cook, wash, and iron, and do all the housework, it is not surprising that the divorce rate is so high."

"I don't know any boy who would do that," answered the parsonist. "I do know a girl who would do that."

"An Irish farmer waking up in the night, saw an apparition at the foot of the bed. It reached his hand out for a glass and poured the ghost with a bullet in the morning he discovered that he had made a target of his own head."

MANITOBA HONEY. It is worth about 7,000 lbs. of honey from 17 acres on his farm at Chalmers, Man. this season.

Our Aim is to Sell You. Dry Goods, Men's Furnishings and Groceries, the quality and price of which will keep you coming back to us.

Consult us First. When buying hardware, we carry a complete stock of shelf and heavy hardware, silverware, cutlery, crockery, etc., and can convince the most critical of our prices and quality are right.

Never Buy Furniture. From a catalogue, it all looks good in pictures. We carry a complete stock of furniture, and our best advice is to see the article before you buy and our best advice is to see the article before you buy.

"LET US PLAY THE GAME." Near Westminister, in London, an impressive company of men in honor of the English flag, were gathered in the late evening for a game of bridge.

"They played the game," "We played the game," "Let us now all play the game!"

A GLOOMY OUTLOOK. "I suppose your husband is home tonight?" "No, he is not."

NEWSPAPER PRODUCTION. The daily production of newspaper in Canada is 2,775 tons, a 27% increase over the year.

FALSE ECONOMY HAS NO VALUE. Economy is one of the greatest of virtues, but false economy is no more a virtue than anything else that is false.

THINKS HE IS ECONOMIZING. "The man who buys the \$10 stove from the mail order house probably will not buy a \$10 stove from his local merchant for in the latter case he will save just what he will save by buying the \$10 stove from the mail order house."

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A REAL MOUNTAIN RAILWAY. One of the most remarkable enterprises in the way of mountain railways in the world is being carried on in British Columbia.

SILK SUITS FOR MEN. "Nuclea" is the name of a silk fabric just produced by a Pabony (England) manufacturer from the short ends of silk after the combers have extracted the long threads.

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DR. J. A. McIVEN. Physician and Surgeon. Office and Residence: Corner Lower Avenue and St. George Street.

JOHN LAWSON. Veterinary Surgeon. Acton, Ont. Graduate of Ontario Veterinary College 1895.

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