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A GOAT ALPHABET

A was an awful appetite.
Pommeled by William Goat;
It was a home of whale, which found
Its way down his throat.
C was a man of steel,
Whom I proved a trifle rough.
D was a much esteemed old doll
With a well-ribbed tummy.
E was a well-worn emery,
Twas somewhat gritty food;
F was a lettered paper fan
With a good deal of wood.
G was another goat, more wise,
Who said, "You'll overeat."
H was the home of the eye,
Which made that goat regretful.
I was some ink, about a pint,
Which made me quite poor;
J was a jug of pottery.
K places, to be sure,
L was a man of leather face,
And many yards tall;
M was five pounds of flouries;
N was an old man, much worn
One evening after dark;
O was a wooden Noah who
Had a Ark.
P was six ancient oranges,
Within paper bags;
Q was a quart of quince preserve
In a tin box, which swelled.
R was a cotton valise,
Which scarce survived a year.
S was a pair of scissors, blunt
And rusty, too.
T was a top, which many folks
Used to spin in vain.
U was a lamb, which was born
To William on a horse.
V was vanity, which swelled
All the time.
W was some wedged wool.
X was next easiest to chew;
Y was a yoke.
Z or William Goat did view.
Elizabeth L Gould.

"LES MISÉRABLES"

In cataloguing the masterpiece of literature the critic would be sure to include the "Misérables" by Victor Hugo. It is printed with the full of the "milk of human kindness," powerfully and brilliantly written, and resounding with fascination. The author has made us deeply over the problems of life, and has given us his solutions. He has pled the cause of the poverty-stricken and criminal classes, with an unswerving tenderness and fervor, and stirred up genuine eloquence and the volume of his challenges and holds the unflagging attention from beginning to end. Like Captain and Dickens his theme is humanity, and the author's phases, and especially in its patriotic aspects, makes up his mighty argument. It is a substantial and notable addition to the republic of letters—an appeal to the heart and ears. The reading of it will make an epoch in one's experience. It will intensify one's identification with the race, and open the source of sympathetic tears. It will impress us with its magnificence, and furnish a beautiful illustration thereof. It is a fine companion upon the noble life of Vergil—"Sic habet serum at montes mutata tangunt;" and one of the classics of all time.

Jean Val Jean, the reformed convict, is the central figure of the book. The story of his conversion through the instrumentality of a deacon, and the progressive development in the Christian life in spite of an unfavorable environment, his unparallel magnanimity and devotion to duty and constancy, the background and substance of the masterly production. All the subordinate characters and the varied episodes are tributary to the growth and development of the spiritual life of the hero. All the picturesque and dramatic movements of the novel centre and concentrate in him. Von Hugo's sympathy for the poor, and his desire to alleviate their poverty and crime. What a rare and powerful eloquent argument for the army of outcast manufacturers! The roll of the world's top. There is some powerful preaching in this book whose theme is the welfare and interests of the poor. The author makes use of his kithship with the race and touches the chord which vibrates with the music of humanity. From henceforth to the last chapter the reader will not appeal in vain. In this book we find the class and masses, and banish misery and unrest.

The book is sufficiently dramatic, with a Shakespearean swing and poise. There's not a dull page in it. The movement sweeps forward, progressing to the final consummation, and the conclusion will bring a long and lasting interest and lasting eyes. The portraiture of one of the minor characters, Little Gavroche, is thoroughly artistic, and the description of the battle of Waterloo is superb. The book abounds in sentences so packed with thought and tersely epigrammatic as to be worthy of classication. I know of no better book than the best proverbs on record. I know of no better book than the old Thomas Fuller, which contains so many fine annotations and incidents of people's lives. Not the "Book of Belshazzar," "Love is all." There are no wise heads but the turtle doves. A man of God and of Art may do to save a nation, but it is easier to make one. We need the old soul who lived in a shoe."

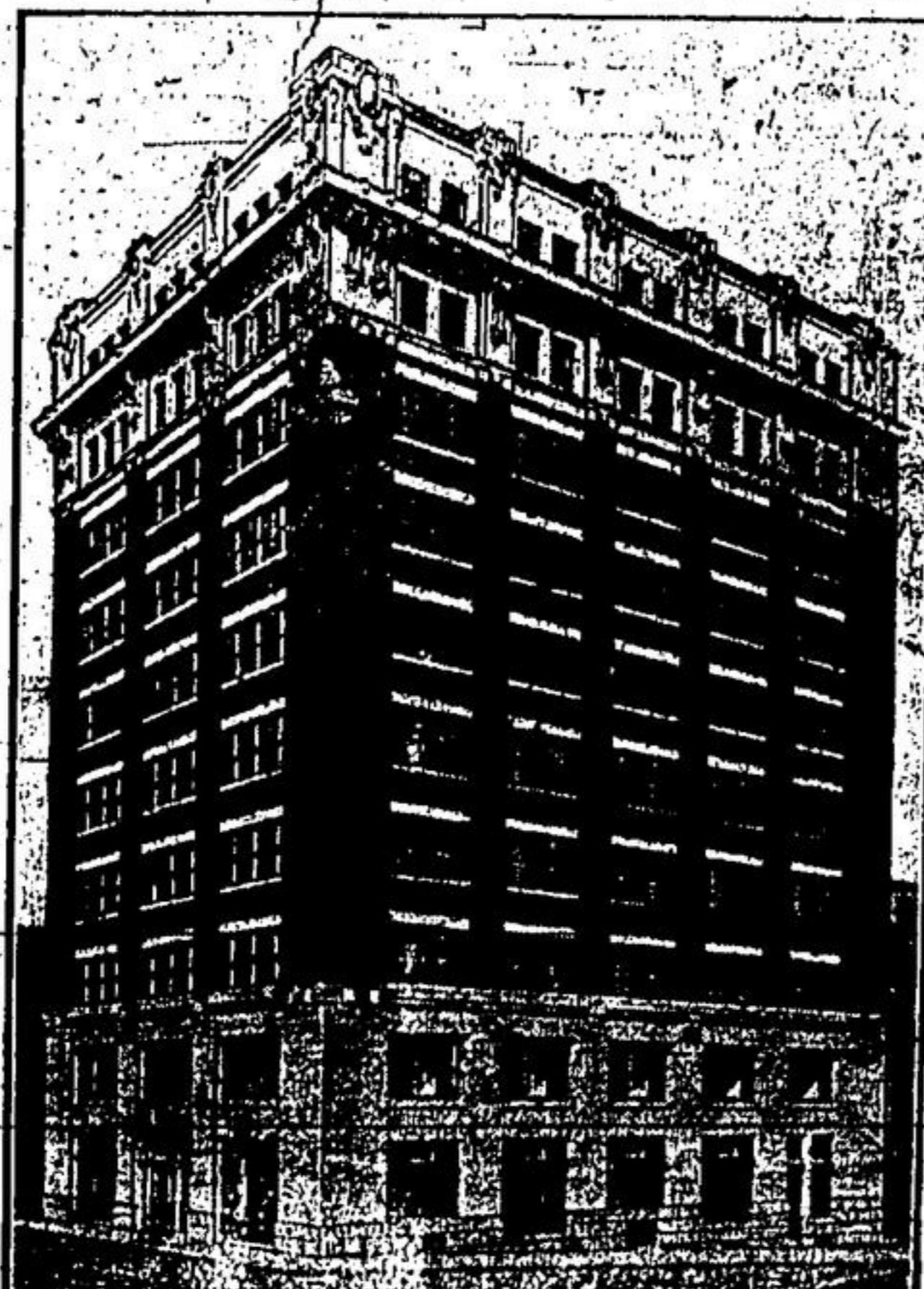
While, of course, the story—wonderful, indeed, but the reader spellbound, still there is just a tinge of deep, philosophical thought running through it. While we are not in the feelings and coolings of Marcus and Cicero, we are in the same time, profoundly impressed by the undertones and undercurrents of devout and scientific meditation upon the world, and to linger a briefer while there.

Victor Hugo is a man of the finest intellectual mind. He might be justly claimed by the true hierarchy of mind and character. He had genius and eloquence, and was consecrated to the service of the poor. He spoke a word destined to be heard round the world, and to linger a briefer while there.

The "Les Misérables" ought to be in every library. It contains the cologne of an imperious brain. It is the greatest piece of fiction outside of Shakespeare. The author has achieved literary immortality. Rev. T. R. Piers, D. D.

THIS NEVER HAPPENED

It was a woman, of course, who, driving in the middle of the road had forced the man to turn his car into a ditch where he skinned, angrily but fearfully, the animal. Her kind, however, she stopped and apologized profusely. "Well, why didn't you give me room to pass?" and gallantly demanded the victim. "I am sorry," she said, "so much when I saw it coming that I simply had to drive over near it to see better," she explained. "But the man has failed."



WONDERFUL NEW TEA WAREHOUSE

The magnificent building shown above, and situated at the corner of St. Paul and St. Peter Street, Montreal, will be occupied by the tea merchants, SALADA, on February 1st, next. The building at present occupied by SALADA, at the corner of St. Paul and St. Peter Streets, Montreal, was erected by them seven years ago, but for some time has proved inadequate for their business.

Other SALADA warehouses are situated at TORONTO and BOSTON.

RIGHT REAR TIRE WEARS MORE THAN LEFT, SAY EXPERTS

The fact that tires on the right-hand side of a car wear out faster in proportion than those on the left-hand side often puzzles motorists. The popular supposition is that this is due to turning many corners to the right in incorrect. The fact is that the increased wear is usually caused by the car being driven on the right side of the road, which throws more of the car on the right side than on the left.

The round-of-the-road-from-curb to curb is far more important in determining tire wear than the number of turns normally wear out—right rear, right front, left front, than is gutter wear and abrasions from ground, dirt and on pavements.

The rear wheel, which carries the right rear tire to carry more weight than the left rear tire. Thus the right rear wears the faster of the two. The rear wheel wears out according to the time exposure, with wear more rapidly than the left front, for the same reason.

However, as the left rear wheel rotates a driving wheel, while the right does not, will wear the right rear more. Under average conditions the right rear tire wears out first and the left front last.

The rear wheel wear from a set of tires changes them around about once a month. Particularly is it important to reverse the rear tires. After their rear tires are worn down, reverse them with the front.

KEEPING UP APPEARANCES

Nothing is gained by making people believe you are better than they are or richer than you are. It would be funny if it were not sad, to see how much energy people put into advancing themselves in prosperity and justly by force. It is the most intelligent appearance would go a long way toward making them really prosperous, if they applied it rightly.

Help Your Digestion

When acid-diseases, relieve the indigestion with

KI-MOIDS

Dissolve easily on tongue-as pleasant to take as candy. Keep your stomach sweet, try KI-MOIDS.

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INSURANCE FOR RETURNED SOLDIERS

All returned soldiers and their families will be interested in the Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act, under which they are provided with an opportunity of obtaining life insurance at a reasonable rate. The Act became effective on September 1st, and will remain in force for two years. Under the provisions of the Act any honorably discharged soldier, sailor, or member of the Royal Canadian Forestry Corps, and resident in Canada, may insure with the Government to an amount of from \$500.00 to \$5,000.00. Under the conditions the widow of a returned soldier, who died subsequent to discharge, may also obtain insurance.

In addition to former members of the Canadian Forces, the privileges of the Act are available to anyone male or female who served during the late war in the Imperial Army or with the forces of any of the allied or associated powers, including the Royal Canadian Forestry Corps, and resident in Canada before discharge and having an honorable discharge.

Many of those who served overseas, who did not suffer from a severe disability, find that their physical condition is such that they are unable to obtain life insurance at all or only at much higher rates than are normally demanded. Therefore, find themselves severely handicapped in finding protection for their dependents. Under the Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act all returned men are placed in a class where no medical examination is required.

The premium rates are low. They vary with the age of the insured and the plan which is chosen. At the age of twenty-five, a single life policy for \$1,000.00 costs \$1.42.

At the age of thirty-five, the rate is \$1.70 per month.

Beneficiaries are limited to his wife and children as beneficiaries.

Under the terms of the Act, the insurance holder becomes totally and permanently disabled he is relieved from paying further premiums and the premium is paid by the Government in annual installments equal to one-twentieth of the total amount of the policy.

Application forms may be obtained from all branches of the Great War Veterans' Association; the Soldiers' Aid Commission; Imperial Veterans' of Canada; Grand Army Auxiliary; Royal Canadian Army and Navy Veterans' Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment; Military District Headquarters and District Officers of the Board of Pension and Compensation; Returned Soldiers' Insurance, Transportation Building, Ottawa.

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Prisoners—"Yes, except where I hid my money. I want that for myself."

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