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EDITORIAL

The Women Entering Another Business

Times are changing in the drug business. Out of an enrolment of 133 at the Ontario College of Pharmacy there are 17 lady students, which shows the trend of female employment since the war. In future the course will be extended from four to five years, but not to become effective until 1925, to allow students now serving in drug stores to finish their time. At present the course is four years in a drug store and one year at college. The new course will be divided into three years in store and two at college.—Newmarket Era.

Young Men Entering Business

The FREE PRESS has always felt a keen interest in young people of the community, and in their successful settlement in the activities of real life in business or professional, or farming or artizan vocations. It is for this reason that counsel growing out of long experience and observation is so frequently offered. Men who have won success in life have invariably found that one of the best ways of becoming fitted for work is to do it. Young men, ambitious of entering business, sometimes toil many months attempting to master complicated theories which a month or two of application would make clear and intelligible. Do not exaggerate the need of preparation. Take the step in advance, even though you may not see the entire path stretching out ahead of you. Doing good work is an excellent way to prepare for doing better work.

Prohibition and Pauperism

A rather remarkable result of prohibition was brought to public notice the other day, in an address before the Canadian Embalmers' Association, at the Anatomical Building of the University of Toronto, by Dr. J. D. McMurrich, Professor of Anatomy. Prof. McMurrich told the members that great difficulty was being experienced in securing bodies for the dissecting room at the university, and that this scarcity, coupled with the great increase in the number of students attending the classes, was causing a serious situation. This scarcity of bodies, he said, came through various causes, one of which was prohibition. Since prohibition had come into operation Prof. McMurrich had found that men who formerly might have died destitute through indulgence in liquor now possessed an estate at their death and their remains were interred at the expense of this estate. This is an unsought argument for prohibition from an independent source. If prohibition reduces pauperism it should be a good thing for the country, even though a lot of beer-guzzlers should go thirsty, and liquor manufacturers be compelled to turn to some useful occupation for their dividends.—Presbyterian Witness.

Acton Cemetery—Perpetual Care of Plots

The suggestion of adopting the plan of perpetual care of Fairview Cemetery, under a commission of citizens, is regarded very favorably by many who have friends interred there. This is especially true in the case of former residents of Acton who have removed to distant points and are consequently unable to give personal attention to the care of their plots in the cemetery. One of these, whose home is in one of the Western States, called upon the editor this month while on a visit to the old home, and referred feelingly to this matter. He said: "I will gladly pay $100 into a trust fund to be administered by a commission of responsible citizens if this plan for perpetual care of the cemetery plots is adopted. Since I came home I have talked to a number of others about the matter. One citizen said he would pay $100; a working man told me he would gladly contribute $50 to such a fund, and I heard of another resident of Acton who offers $500, if this plan is adopted." There is no doubt the matter of perpetual care could readily be arranged if the Council would undertake the scheme. Perhaps it would strengthen their hands and induce prompt action if an interview by interested citizens was made at a regular sitting of the Council. The scheme is certainly worthy and would show a proper respect for the departed if consummated.

The Programme of the Fall Fairs

Up to this time the directors of Acton Fall Fair have adhered closely to the purposes for which the fair was established, viz: the exhibition of live stock and poultry, of farm and town; the products of the farm and garden; the handiwork of the ladies in domestic science, dairy, needlework and fine arts, and the demonstration of the latest inventions in farm and household machinery and appliances, horse and motor vehicles, and incidentally, the providing of sufficient musical and other entertainment to ensure a pleasant time to the visitors to the fair. The healthy rivalry in the contests among exhibitors has resulted in improved stock, better products, new ideas in ladies work, the calling out of latent skill of the rising generation in the production of fine arts, and in a variety of domestic science products which has been pleasing and helpful. The tendency of most of the fairs, however, seems these days to be the development of the amusement side at the expense of the original purpose. The fairs with the biggest attractions in vaudeville, pageantry, fancy games with horses, and such like appear to have the smaller exhibition of agricultural products and practical exhibits of the hall. These attract great crowds, but are they accomplishing what was the genesis of the organization of the Agricultural and Arts Association of Ontario, which supervises the fairs to some extent? Is the Government warranted in giving grants year after year to fairs which have gotten far away from the original purpose of their organization? Is the fair of the future to be a real exhibition of the products of the community, or a place of amusement? These are problems the Acton fall fairs must cope with.

Canada's Fight of the British Cattle Embargo

It is gratifying that Canada is not now fighting alone in the effort to have the British embargo against our cattle removed. The Dundee Harbor Commissioners who waited on Hon. Mr. Churchill, secretary of State for the Colonies, to urge the removal of the embargo against Canadian cattle, said that it was of the utmost importance that this trade be re-established. Mr. Churchill said he was sympathetic toward the request of the commissioners, and that the government would consider the report of the cattle embargo commission.

Keep Learning! Live Learning! Die Learning!

The other day the Editor overheard a High School student make this remark: "Well, thank goodness, this will be my last year at school. When the school closes next June I'll have my education finished." This expression implied rather a narrow view of life's opportunities for embibing knowledge. It was said of Green, the historian, that he died learning, and it might be added that when people stop learning, they are ready to die. Of all sad words of tongue or pen the saddest and also the silliest are these, "Completing an education." The school which makes any pupil or student think it has "finished" him has failed to teach the most important lesson of all. Keep learning. Remember that the life school never lets out, that there are no holidays and no vacations, long or short. Whether a young man or young woman is working or playing, that one should all the time be getting new information. Live to learn, and when the times comes, die learning.

Business Revival on the Horizon

Indications are gradually looming up which point to the return of better business conditions. The effects of the war as related to business are being overcome. Gratifying evidences that business throughout Ontario has turned the corner and is now steadily improving were noted by a well-known Toronto business man during a tour of many of the principal industrial centres of the Province, just completed. He found convincing indications that trade throughout the Province had passed through the depression period and was moving steadily back to sound and stable conditions. This increased activity was particularly noticeable in the knitting and underwear industries, while implement firms also were becoming busy again with orders, principally for the export trade. In addition an increasing volume of orders was reported by varnish manufacturers and kindred trades, the biscuit manufacturing industry and other lines. The Toronto man's survey convinced him that the outlook at the present time was much brighter than it had been for many months. He found all the manufacturers looking forward with renewed hope and confidence that a speedy movement back to normal activity of trade generally is well under way.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Bell Telephone Company is after another raise in rates. This is becoming too monotonous to be generally comfortable or satisfactory to phone patrons.

Pussyfoot Johnson says England will be dry by 1930. Many people smile at this prediction. They smiled, too, when the temperance leaders asserted six or eight years ago that the United States would be dry in 1920.

Its getting rapidly near the frost time, and those concrete street crossings which were cut through for the waterworks mains remain "as they were." Would it not be a good policy to call in the contractors at once to finish this section of their contract?

Legislation passed at the last session of Parliament provides that the Monday of the week that November 11th, the anniversary of Armistice Day falls on, shall be Thanksgiving Day. Thanksgiving Day this year will thus be Monday, November 7.

In England some of the women are ousting men from Parliamentary seats. Last week Mrs. Margaret Wintringham, Liberal, was elected for the south division of Lincolnshire, receiving 8,380 votes, against 7,595 polled for Sir Alan Hutchings, Coalitionist.

Farmers depended on lawyers and doctors all their lives and got—nothing. They must assert themselves if they expect to get anywhere.—Farmers' Sun. Of course the lawyers and doctors will fare all right when the farmers secure the reins at Ottawa.

In 1911, R. B. Bennett, Conservative M. P. for Calgary, stood up on the floor of the House and declared that "Mr. Meighen was the megaphone of Mackenzie and Mann." To-day he is a member of Mr. Meighen's Cabinet. Politics make strange bedfellows!—Farmers' Sun.

Premier Meighen is evidently in no hurry to announce the dissolution of Parliament, or the date for the election. He left on his trip through the Western Provinces on Saturday, and the electors of the Dominion are as wise as ever as to when the general election vote will take place.

Sir George Foster, Hon. J. D. Reid and Hon. A. Calder have gained "the sheltering roof" of the Senate in time to avoid the storm, says an exchange. It is hoped these men who were so virile in Parliament do not assume the usual senile spirit of the Senate, now that they have stepped over to the red chamber.

The Vankleek Hill Review thinks the Government in Ottawa have forgotten the value of the dollar. They have become so accustomed to speaking in millions, that to-day every man, woman and child in Canada would have to raise between $200 or $300 each to meet our bonded debt. Unfortunately, that same trait is one nearly all governments seem to have.

That Germany is making a most efficient attempt to meet her obligations and recover her economic stability, is the opinion of Prof. James Mavor, head of the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto, who returned to the city last week after an extended tour of Germany, Austria and Hungary. Becoming sensible at last, evidently.

THE LOOSE CHANGE

One Sunday, a family of eight were sitting at the dinner table. Most of them had attended church that morning—a strange church, for they were not in their home town. In the general table talk the question of the collection arose and someone asked how much had each contributed. The immediate reply was to the effect that each had contributed "all the loose change they had with them," and they smiled well pleased at the generosity. Further conversation revealed the startling fact that in each case—"the loose change" was just what they had put in their Sunday clothes before setting out for church, and the total amounted to forty cents. Someone remarked that it was an interesting coincidence that the candy eaten by the family after that dinner amounted to exactly forty cents. Both were extras.—Presbyterian Witness.

MORRIS CHAIR FIRE ESCAPE

A morris chair fire escape, which was recently put on the market, comprises a comfortable piece of furniture and ready means of safety in case of fire. By extending two brackets, attached to the back of the chair, out of a window and stringing a rope, wound on a spool under the chair seat, over a pully located on a rod between the two bracket ends, a quick descent to the ground is accomplished. A brake, controlled by the fire victim, regulates the speed of the descent.

NO APOLOGY NEEDED FOR DOING RIGHT

Right-doing needs no apology. When you have lived up to your convictions and acted on principle, you should not appear ashamed of it. The one who is on the lookout for excuses for doing right forfeits all sympathy. The good refuse to reckon him one of themselves, and the bad respect him as little. Have your excuses for the times you are in the wrong. No apology is needed for doing right.

PRECOCITY

A woman once asked a little girl of five if she had any brothers.

"Yes," said the child, "I have three brothers."

"And how many sisters, my dear?" asked the woman.

"Just one sister, and I'm it," replied the little girl.

Several little girls were returning home from the park one afternoon, when they were overtaken by a goat that wanted the whole street. They of course ran for dear life, the foremost one shouting to her companions:

"Run, run, girls! He will kick with his head!"

So wonderful is the mixture that we can understand the state of mind of the little girl who asked her father,

"Pa, where were you born?"

"In Boston, my dear."

"And where was mamma born?"

"In San Francisco, my dear."

"And where was I born?"

"In Philadelphia, my dear."

"Well," said the little girl, "isn't it funny how we three people got together?"

HARD TIMES

We have already had some prophecies concerning hard times the coming winter. To make it sure, let everybody talk depressingly. If anyone falls in business, record it in all the papers. Let us have speeches and newspaper articles on the wrongs of the laboring classes. Let everybody prophesy a hard winter, a very hard winter, an awful hard winter. Let us take no account that flour is cheaper, and bread and meat must drop in price. We shall in this way be able to take another fagget from the poor man's hearth, knock another pane of glass out of his window, and hinder the manufacturer from employing him. All together now—laborers, capitalists and editors—let us give a long deep groan, and keep it going until next spring, and the times will be as hard as we could reasonably expect.—Exchange.

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