

Seniors For The Future

The 20th Century

by Florence Wilkinson

This week I just happened to run into some things about the twentieth century — that is, the century we are in; the century which seems almost a bygone as so much of the present spoken dreams and written plans are looking toward the twenty-first century; and, once again, was reminded of how much can be crowded into a mere century.

In the book I was reading, first died the grandfather, and the Queen Victoria, and all intermingled with these sad events was the return of a granddaughter from South Africa where she had been working with the Boer women and children that were in the concentration camps.

The granddaughter, of course, did not get much praise for her actions — after all, she was helping those Boers, and they were killing the English in that war.

The Boer war? When was that? — The young folk of today might ask. They are too young to know much about the second world war, let alone the first world war and the Boer war!

But that was not the only fault of the granddaughter. She also was always running off to lectures and rallies in support of women getting the vote. She was sure that if women got the vote they would discover some way to get around disputes without going to war!

In between my reading spurts I was trying to do some preserving, and was looking for recipes. I looked in my *Twentieth Century Home Cook Book*, looked in the index, and turned to the page under the heading "Jelly, How To Make", and read this: "Take one cows heel, one large shank of beef, five pounds of knuckle of veal, two onions, a bouquet of sweet herbs; put all on to boil in six quarts of water, with salt and spices. Carefully remove the scum as it arises. etc."

Now there's the twentieth century for you!

My *Twentieth Century Home Cook Book* has lots of interesting recipes in it which I am sure no one would have any desire to follow in this day and age.

Also, between the covers of that one book is the information for which one would have to buy three, four or maybe even five books today.

For example, item XV of chapter XXXIII is entitled *Alphabet of Etiquette*.

Avoid thou all evil, all rudeness, all haste,

Be gentle, be cheerful, be kindly, be chaste.

Consider the needs of the old and the weak;

Don't volunteer counsel, think twice ere you speak.

Ever think last of self, be not boastful or proud,

Fear scandal and gossip, let your talk be not loud.

Greet with equal politeness the high and the low,

Have a heart full of kindness, a

soul pure as snow.

Injure none by a look, or a word or a tone;

Join not those that are evil; far better alone.

Keep promise and counsel, let your word be your bond.

Leave lying to slaves, of yourself be not fond.

Move gently; be modest in action and dress;

Never swear, never mock at another's distress.

Over dressing avoid, but at fashion don't sneer,

Pay due tribute to usage, but bend not to fear.

Quit all that is harmful to self or to others,

Remember this world is a wide band of brothers!

Shun the fool and the ruffian; the fop and the boor,

Take pleasure in helping the weak and the poor.

Use good language or none, all coarseness avoid,

Vulgarity's sinful, or with sin allied.

Wax ever in virtue, in grace and good will,

Xcelling in good and decreasing in ill.

Yonder sun be thy guidance in everything bright,

Zero marking thy standing in all that's not right.

Composed by the late Lord D'Israeli, the English Premier at the age of 12 years.

There are some things in the above which are rather out of date in this part of the twentieth century.

However, in spite of the overwhelming changes which have taken place in most areas of life, the advice in the *Alphabet of Etiquette* is not too outdated.

As someone has commented: "All things change; all things remain the same."

This may just sum up the twentieth century.

Yes meeting tonight

With the huge response to the last Constitutional meeting, the Halton-Peel Yes to Canada committee will be hosting another meeting Wednesday (today).

Federal Industry, Science and technology Minister Bill Winegard will make a presentation on the Charlottetown Accord and then open the floor to questions.

The meeting will be held starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Sacre-Coeur Church Hall, on Maple Avenue in Georgetown.

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