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The Bull Moose party is one of harmony. It has no chance.

Do not kill yourself for the love of a woman, the husband might be suspected.

There is a pleasing activity in mining work and the camp is getting better every day. Play the game, a whimper never wins.

With sirloin steak at 27 cents a pound the butchers in Toronto are making it worth while to teach your stomach vegetarian habits.

The bull moose refused to be deprived of his horns when Roosevelt decided not to commit himself to a prohibition plank.

Sust to prove that there is nothing new under the sun a Harvard professor has discovered that a woman talks too much.

In France it is permissible for women with beards to wear male attire. The law of regulation dates back to the Reign of Terror.

Will there be a new plank in the political platforms promising less courting and more marrying when the suffragists come into their own and have access to the polls?

You will go down the sun set side of life with contentment and many worldly goods if you never forget that the five cent piece is a most fascinating coin!

This probing business around town can be overdone. It will be plenty of time to report your neighbor and fellow citizens for some trivial slip of the foot, after you have brushed the mud from your own garments.

The bandana handkerchief was used as an emblem by Allen G. Thurman away back in 1876. Thurman was defeated for the Presidency. Will history repeat with Roosevelt and the Bull Moose party?

Never kick on the old pie, it deadens the odor of the perfumed man, makes harmless the moth and gives your wife something to think and talk about besides your failings and little indiscretions.

The tongue is mightier than the brickbat. American suffragists have come within hailing distance of success without throwing a single brick, while their British cousins are still divided as to whether the brickbat or the hatchet is the proper equal suffrage argument.

About half of the city council is behind the bars in Detroit, accused and arrested for accepting or soliciting bribes to put through a street closing ordinance on behalf of a rail road. The Wabash refused to be held up by the grafters and a private citizen put up \$10,000 to employ detectives to ferret out the hold-up.

Times may be a little big sluggish just now, but that is no reason to "knock and holler" but should be a spur and a gad to greater endeavor. It isn't a penitentiary offence to speak well of your neighbors or your

town. Keep a hustling, the things that come to a man who grumbles and waits have generally been pretty well picked over before they arrive.

Lieutenant Becker of the New York police, accused of being the murderer of gambler Rosenthal and a grafter who ranks among the top-notchers, is a native of Renfrew, where the butter comes from. His early surroundings may not have had anything to do with his present unsavory position.

Why not abolish all bars? Why should the man in Old Ontario be legalized to drink himself into oblivion while his hardy brother of the north does the camel stunt, and even a herd of camel stunts. There must still be some citizens in the older part of the Province worth saving and this discrimination is unjust. Save the farmer and merchant as well as the miner.

There is something in a name after all. Out in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, prominent citizens who patronize band concerts in public parks have delivered an ultimatum to the park board that the popular tune, "Everybody's Doing It," must be eliminated from the program. The basis of the complaint is that the tune is suggestive and the bands play it continuously. Like a politician, maybe the band has its ear to the ground, and gives the majority of the people what it wants.

Even the policeman is not without guilt these days and as you look over the list of crimes committed and hoodlers hoodled you begin to realize that there are a hundred kinds of snobbery, a thousand kinds of jobbery and ten thousand kinds of robbery in everything but the mining game. Civilization is advancing rapidly, the ministers are abolishing hell and the public is beginning to understand that mining is a legitimate business and not a gamble.

The town may be full of knockers, the knockers full of ills, but you sure can earn your neighbor's love if you pay your weekly bills.

Whether or not the ministers of the Gospel decide to abolish hell-fire and eternal burning, you will still find that the best way to prepare for the hereafter is to deal justly with the things that are here and treat your neighbors with kindness and forbearance and remember the Golden Rule. Some, of course, are too human and stray from the path and bend a commandment or two, but there is good in all of them.

We know not whence we came or whence we go, so sang out the Persian poet a number of years ago. Probably the biggest subject that concerns scientists at the present time is the origin of life and it will be the main topic of discussion at the meeting of the British Association opening at Dundee on September 4th, and Professor Schafer, of Edinburgh, the eminent psychologist, will devote his presidential address to this vital subject.

At the association's annual congress important additions to the sum of knowledge are likely to be made and vigorous discussion among many noted scientists is expected on the question: "Is it possible that life can be manufactured chemically?"

Discoveries made by students of plants have in some cases corroborated results of animal life study. He has, therefore, been arranged for the sections of botany and zoology to meet jointly to discuss the mystery of life.

Dr. Oshalmers Mitchell, of the London Zoo, who will join the discussion, has an interesting theory of the origin of life. Many scientists believe they have touched at least one important secret in making rudimentary life which may lead to practical results in the laboratory.

To realize how fast we are progressing along all lines one needs only to turn back a few pages of history or memory.

Josiah Strang in a recent discussion of social reform told how rapidly we were improving in learning and invention. He said, in 1828 leave was asked the school board of Lancaster for the use of the school room for a debate upon railroads and telegraphs; and then he quoted this answer by the board to the application:

"You are welcome to the use of the schoolhouse to dispute all proper questions in, but such things as rail roads and telegraphs are impossibilities, and rank infidelity. There is nothing in the word of God about them. If God had designed that his intelligent creatures should travel at the frightful speed of fifteen miles an hour by steam, he would have clearly foretold it through the holy prophets. It is a device of Satan to lead immortal souls to Hell."

Of course it was not intended as a slam at the town of Lancaster, for it was as much up-to-date then as other communities, but simply as an instance of the remarkable change that has occurred in less than a hundred years. We are going forward with such speed that between now and 1928 we may find changes scarcely less pronounced than that shown in the paragraph unearthed by Dr. Strong. Surely, they who one hundred years from now, read our misgivings will not be less amused.

The strongest power to redeem a man and hold him right lies within himself. Even penologists are realizing this.

It is discovered that eleven Ohio murderers, sentenced for life, have for months been working out on a state farm, without armed guard and with nothing to hold them but their honor. They not only do not run away, but, not being known as convicts, have won the esteem and confidence of the community.

This looks like civilization. Punishment, in this day of advanced enlightenment, ought to reform men, not rot them.

Prisons have been in all ages dark and dismal, unhealthy and inhuman, and—most of all to be deplored—degrading instead of uplifting.

Mankind, swayed between the extremes of hate and pity for the criminal, galkows and boquets for the condemned, has made its prisons a strange combination of hell and paradise. Common sense has had little chance.

No offense that the misguided may commit can be just cause to deprive them of opportunity to redeem and remake themselves through the vitalizing influences of wholesome labor under healthful conditions.

Through crime men may forfeit their right to all the blessings of civilized society. But they do not forfeit their inherent right to God's free gift of sunshine and pure air.

And they can never forfeit their right to the exercise of what honor is in them. For honor, however small, is the vital spark that must be fanned to a glow and to a blaze, if there is to be redemption.

Are we learning at last in dealing with our unfortunates to sweeten the primal animal instincts with human sympathy and reason?

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the matter of Pierre Alphonse Morin, of the Town of Timmins, in the District of Sudbury, late of Cobalt, butcher and general merchant.

Notice is hereby given that the above named insolvent has made an assignment to me of all his estate, credit and effects for the benefit of his creditors or other persons entitled thereto, or having claim thereon.

A meeting of the creditors will be held at my office, Second Avenue, in the Town of Timmins, Ontario, on Monday, the 26th day of August, 1912, at the hour of ten o'clock in the morning to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors, and for the ordering of the estate generally.

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T. M. WILSON,
Assignee.

Dated at Timmins, Ont., this 14th day of August, 1912.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

R.S.O. CHAPTER 129.
In the matter of Joseph A. Morin, Insolvent.

Notice is hereby given that the above named insolvent, Joseph E. Morin, of the town of South Porcupine, in the Province of Ontario, has made an assignment of his estate to me for the general benefit of his creditors.

The creditors are notified to meet at the office of Cook & Mitchell, South Porcupine, Ontario, on Monday, the 12th day of August, A. D. 1912, at eight o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of receiving a statement of the insolvent's affairs, for the appointment of inspectors and the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the estate.

All persons claiming to be entitled to rank on the estate must file their claims with me on or before the 31st day of August, 1912, after which date I will proceed to distribute the assets thereof, having regard to those claims only of which I shall then have received notice, and I will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim I have not then received notice.

Dated at South Porcupine this 1st day of August, A. D. 1912.
GEORGE H. B. INSOLE,
South Porcupine, Ontario,
Assignee.

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