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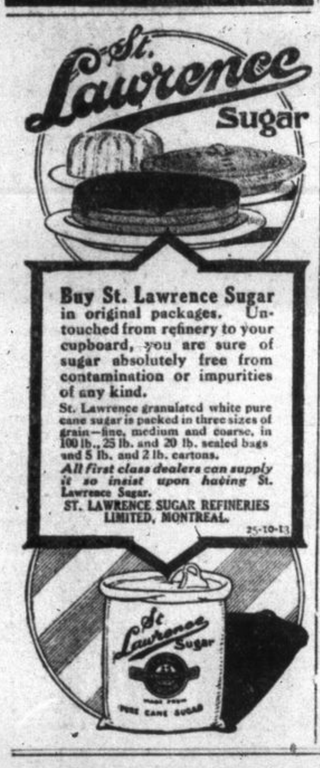

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The Man On Watch

Those who have no money to put in banks or to invest in stocks that turn out to be no good, sleep soundly in these days of financial worry. The Madoc failure recalls the collapse of a bank in Kingston twenty years ago, when some widows suffered heavily. One woman, it was said, put several hundred dollars in this bank in the afternoon, and the next morning its doors were closed to open no more.

It took forty minutes to despatch the four New York gunmen by electricity. On reading about it, the Lampman thought how much quicker a military execution would be. Ten seconds would have sufficed with a firing squad.

Up in Hamilton the authorities would not allow the Mormons to hold street corner services, but down here in Kingston, the Lampman says that no authority is needed for street preaching. Anybody who wants to preach on the highways does so, whether they block the sidewalks or not. Kingston has a goodly number of religions, but still probably not more than half the inhabitants go to church, so perhaps the Mormon doctrine would appeal to some, and perhaps even to members of Christian bodies.

A townsman writes to the Lampman and asks if the police court is not open to the public at ten o'clock every morning except Sunday. Not necessarily, he replies. The police magistrate can hold his court at any hour he wishes, and sometimes he holds special afternoon sittings when there are urgent cases. As far as the Lampman understands, the general public need not be admitted to the court room. He also understands that so long as press representatives are admitted, the court in that way becomes public.

Even Kingston girls should know that it is not the safest thing to go driving with young men after dark. The Lampman has no sympathy for young women who complain after they have taken such trips. Now that the spring is here, the Lampman's advice to girls is not to go a-hungering after auto or carriage jaunts in the evenings. It is still true that "the way of the transgressor is hard," even of the rules of propriety.

It is pretty tough on poor old Portsmouth to be squeezed by two government institutions and then be heavily taxed for both county and village purposes. Hatter's Bay, says the Lampman, should have been a part of Kingston years ago. There was never any reason for it being "a bachelor" and existing alone. The Portsmouth philosopher would find life congenial by the thought that he was the inhabitant of a place of culture like Kingston. Besides, Portsmouth could retain its name as a suburb, just like Williamsville and the Grove Inn.

In these days of electricity, knowledge of lamps is becoming limited. The tragedy in an institution of the town last week serves to show, the Lampman thinks, that people to-day are not aware of the necessity of keeping clean the lamp, and of viewing it as a dangerous thing to be trifled with. An unclean lamp is like a gun that a fellow doesn't think is loaded.

A district home missionary when addressing a Presbyterian meeting in Kingston last week intimated that in his territory he found, among others, "predestination cranks." The Lampman wonders how the older Calvinists relish this "wallop" from one of their own ministers of the gospel. Predestination is still in the "Confession of Faith," and here is a higher critic missionary ridiculing it! The Lampman thinks it is high time that the moderator of Kingston presbytery gathered his flock together and held a heresy trial. All the same, predestination is a comforting doctrine.

—THE TOWN WATCHMAN.

DR. WALKER A "GENTLEMAN."

Takes Off Her Hat When Riding In Elevator With Ladies

Washington, April 17.—Dr. Mary Walker, true to the traditions of her masculine attire, takes off her shining high silk hat when she enters an elevator where women are present.

This example of manly courtesy was shown by Dr. Mary Walker yesterday when she rode up in the elevator of one of Washington's skyscrapers.

P. C. LIVINGSTON.

A native of Vancouver, and the only Canadian in the famous Cambridge team which beat Oxford in the annual races. Livingston is an all-round athlete, and is well known in all lines of athletics in England. He rowed third in the team.

CHILDHOOD CONSTIPATION

Constipation is one of the most common ailments of childhood and no child suffering from it thrives well. To banish it no other medicine acts so promptly and surely as Baby's Own Tablets. They never fail to bring relief. Concerning them Mrs. Dominique Ferland, St. Michel, Que., writes: "I consider Baby's Own Tablets a marvellous remedy for little ones. I gave them to my baby for constipation and they soon made him well again." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25c. a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Deserved the Job

Outside of the office the head clerk hung a notice informing all and sundry that Messrs. Scott & Lot were requiring a smart boy.

Having fixed it to his satisfaction, he stood for a few moments on the doorstep to watch its effect on the youth of the town.

Half a dozen Rothschilds passed it, with a casual glance, inside the first two minutes. The seventh paused, read it, carefully took it down, and carried it into the office.

"Hi!" said the office potentate. "What the dickens are you doing with that notice?"

"Takin' it back to the office, of course!" answered the solemn youth.

"What for?"

"It says Scott & Lott wants a smart boy, don't it? Well, I'm 'im!"

All German actresses, whether married or single, are hereafter to be styled "Frau Schauspielerin," (Madame Actress), in accordance with a decree of the German Theatrical Union.

In the commons on Thursday, A. B. McCoig, liberal member for West Kent, advocated taking over the C.N.R. by the government of Canada, if it had to be aided further.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

WESTERN UNION REPORT—SURPLUS EQUALS 3.24 PER CENT

A Number of Dividend Changes—Spent More Than in Any One Year of Its History—Commercial Notes

New York, April 17.—The annual report of the Western Union Telegraph company for the year ended December 31, 1913, shows total earnings of $45,783,513 and surplus after charges of $3,234,917. This surplus would be equal to 3.24 per cent. on the $99,786,759 capital stock, as compared with 3.13 per cent. earned in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913. At the annual meeting the number of directors was reduced from 30 to 21.

Dividend Changes

Toronto, April 17.—In the first quarter of 1914 there were a number of dividend changes. Dividends were increased on Kam. Power, Prudential Trust, Eastern Trust, Canada Permanent, Eastern Canada Savings, Shredded Wheat, Provincial Bank, and Empire Loan. Dividends were reduced on William Rogers from 12 to 10, and Dominion Steel from 4 to 3. Dividends were passed by the Monarch Knitting and Hewson Pure Wool. Several companies deferred their bond interest, but only two were purely Canadian, namely, Upper Fraser Lumber and Hewson Pure Wool.

Risk is Great

Toronto, April 17.—The number of mining propositions recorded as being turned down by a Canadian exploration and development corporation in its recent annual statement has nothing on the U.S. Smelting, Refining and Mining company.

Statistics compiled by that company show that in four years—1910 to 1913, a total of 2,913 mines were offered to the company of which 489 were partly examined, 134 were measured and tested and ten were actually bought.

Only 17 per cent. survived the first glance, five per cent. survived a preliminary test, and only one-third of one per cent. were worth buying. That shows the ratio of risk.

Depreciation Charges

New York, April 17.—Last year the United States Steel corporation charged off more depreciation and spent more money for ordinary repairs and maintenance than in any year in its history. Depreciation and sinking fund charges against income amounted to approximately $32,644,000, and there was spent for ordinary repairs $52,000,000, a total of $84,644,000, a sum equivalent to 5.8 per cent. on property valuation. This compares with 5.2 per cent. in 1912, the high record previous to 1913.

Quaker Oats Company

New York, April 17.—A gross surplus for 1913 of $2,278,000 and a net surplus of $761,533, is disclosed by the Quaker Oats company.

Since 1910 annual dividends of ten per cent. have been paid, while for 1912 the shareholders received a fifty per cent. bonus in shares.

They have an export mill at Peterboro, Ont.

$1,850,000 Melon

Rochester, N.Y., April 17.—The Ansco company cut a $1,858,000 melon for its stockholders.

Holders of the $1,000,000 common stock will receive a 100 per cent. dividend, and the holders of $280,000 preferred stock and $50,000 bonds will have their securities bought in and retired at 110.

Settlement of litigation against the Eastman Kodak company is the direct cause of the distribution.

Canadian Bank Branches

Montreal, April 17.—During the month of March, according to Houston's Bank Directory, there were twenty-five new branches opened, while five were closed. The number of branches now number 3,047 in Canada, sixteen in Newfoundland, and seventy-three elsewhere, a total of 3,136.

A Splendid Return

Halifax, April 17.—Advices from Prince Edward Island indicate that the fox industry will have the best year it has ever had. It is anticipated that over $5,000,000 in dividends will be distributed this September by the different fox ranches.

Reports from the ranches on Prince Edward Island are optimistic. The season of 1914 has been a very favorable one for the foxes and the expectation is that the general average of increase will be twenty-five per cent. higher than it was in 1913. This will be good news to shareholders in companies.

Financial Notes

Iron Age predicts Steel wage reductions unless business improves.

The Southern Pacific stockholders issue $55,000,000 20-year five per cent. convertible bonds and $20,000,000 common stock.

The Ogilvie Milling company, will increase in Alberta by fifteen this year.

Something over fifty per cent. of the Grand Trunk issue of one and a half millions in four per cent. debentures at ninety has been left to the underwriters.

The preferred stock of the International Milling Co., of Minnesota, has been put on a quarterly dividend basis, the first payment on the new footing being on June 5.

The Detroit United Railway's February's gross decrease was $58,098 and its net decrease $47,579. Two months gross decrease was $92,405, and its net decrease $86,954.

Next to the crown itself the Canadian Pacific is reported to be the largest land owner in the British empire. It has realized $120,000,000 on land sales and still has $102,521,000 unsold.

The Montreal Bond company will be taken over by interests other than those hitherto identified with it. The deal is said to have been one which was very favorable to the shareholders of the Montreal Bond company.

Robert F. Lovett, chairman of the Union Pacific Railway company, has resigned as a director of, the Baltimore and Ohio railway. W. Averill Harriman, son of the late E. H. Harriman, was elected to succeed him.

At the annual meeting of the C. W. Lindsay, limited, Montreal, dividends of seven per cent. on the preferred stock and eight per cent. on the common, were declared. Previously the dividend on the common was six per cent.

Cobalt, Ont., April 17.—The Nipissing mine mined ore of an estimated net value of $261,378, and shipped bullion from Nipissing and Custom ore of an estimated net value of $403,456.

WHITMAN WANTS TO KNOW

Who Engineered Perjury In Behalf of Dead Gunmen

New York, April 17.—District-Attorney Whitman hopes to learn within twenty-four hours who helped to manufacture some of the evidence introduced on behalf of the four gunmen slayers of Herman Rosenthal in their final plea to Supreme Court Justice Goff last Saturday for a new trial.

Karl Dresner, one of the gunmen's new witnesses on that day, was brought from the Tombs to the district-attorney's office yesterday and questioned as to who, if anyone, induced him to prepare the affidavit submitted to Justice Goff in an apparent effort to show that others than the gunmen killed Rosenthal.

This affidavit and Dresner's testimony to the same effect were admitted by Dresner to be false. He pleaded guilty to perjury and is in the Tombs pending his appearance before the grand jury.

Western Corn Killed Hogs

Quebec, April 17.—The epidemic which has been responsible for the death of hundreds of hogs in the parish of Beauport, near here, has been the subject of investigation among farmers in this district, and the conclusion is that the disease is due to the feeding of the hogs with shipments of western corn.

Despite the fact that she admitted imbibing a cocktail, a brandy and soda and a third of a quart of champagne, a New York jury gave Frances Fraser, dressmaker, $3,500 damages because she walked off a moving train.

WHITE WOLF BEATEN

Chinese Bandit's Men Were Killed by Hundreds.

Peking, April 17.—Regular troops yesterday severely defeated "White Wolf" and his brigands, several hundreds of whom were killed.

The regular troops encountered the bandit army at Li Chuan-Hsien, to the northwest of Sian-Fu, capital of Shen-Si province. They were threatened an attack on Sian-Fu.

Sharp fighting ensued, and resulted in the route of the brigands, who fled to a position twenty miles from Kienchow, further to the northwest.

Heavy reinforcements of regulars have been despatched to the scene, and the birgands, who have pillaged many towns and villages and killed the inhabitants, are being gradually surrounded.

A number of mission doctors have gone from Huh-Sien and Chow Chihu to attend the wounded.

Threatened by a Geyser

Albany, April 17.—Water threatens the partial destruction of New York's magnificent state library building. For nearly a week a two-inch stream has been spouting through the $25,000 hydrolithic cellar floor.

The geyser has become so persistently powerful that two big pumps are fighting it night and day with little appreciable effect.

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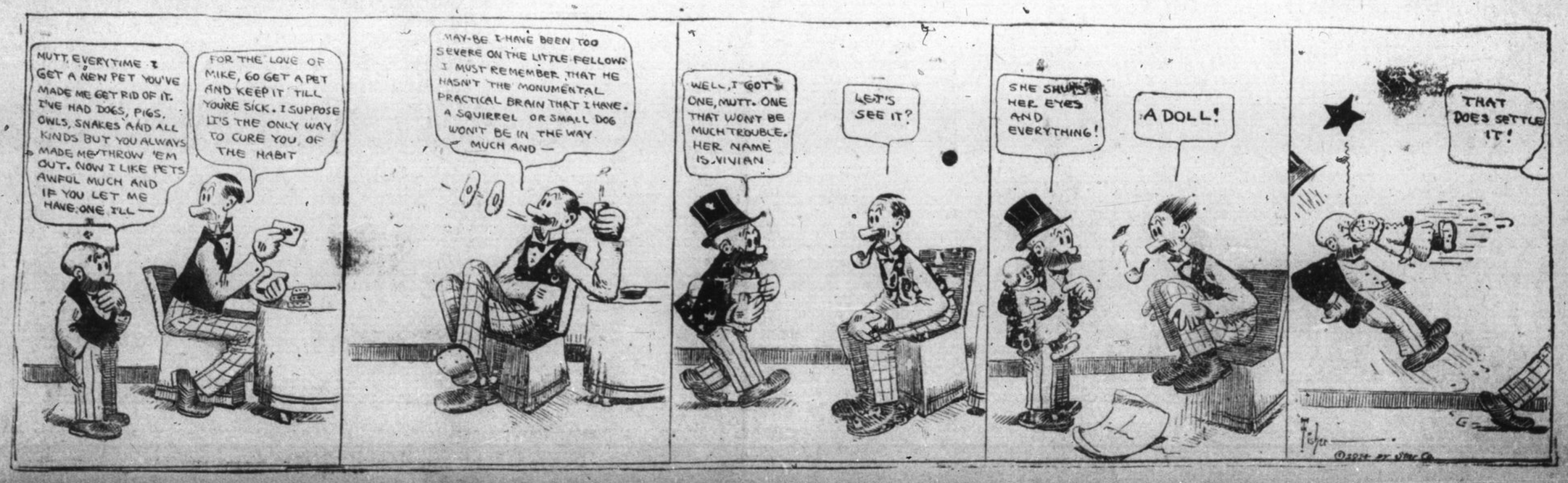
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