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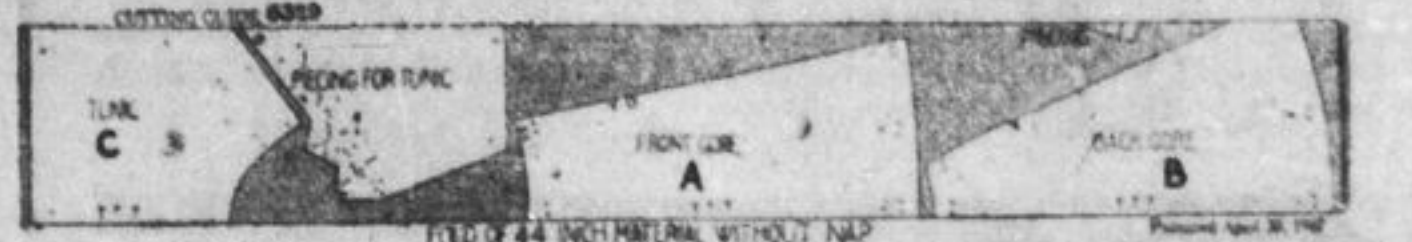
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THE WAR AND THE JEW.

By Rev. S. S. Rohold, pastor Christian Synagogue, Toronto. The Macmillan Co. of Canada, Toronto, publishers. Price, 25c. R. Uglow & Co., city.

The preface to this book, written by Prof. T. B. Kilpatrick of Knox College, Toronto, very ably sets forth the story told. The author, he says, has compressed into a few pages some of the most telling facts of the Jews' present situation throughout the world.

"He is well aware of the feelings with which Jews are regarded in all the lands of their dispersion, ranging all the way from coldness and suspicion to dislike and bitter enmity. But he proves, and illustrates by abundant evidence, two amazing facts: "First, Jews are among the trusted servants of all the Powers now engaged in war.

"Second, Jews are loyal to the countries of their nativity, and are to be found by the thousands, fighting in the armies of their various nationalities." Mr. Rohold is enthusiastically on the side of the Allies in this great conflict. But he writes with a deep sense of the tragedy in which, in peculiar sense, the war has involved the Jew. Men of Jewish race are confronting one another as enemies on the battlefield. In Russia, too, another drop of bitterness is added to the cup. The tale of the deportations of Jews from one part of Russia to another is very terrible. Mr. Rohold is careful not to lay the blame on the Russian people, but on the bureaucracy, acting under German instigation. Will the war issue in the amelioration of the lot of the Jews? We are prepared to stake our all for Belgium and for Serbia. Is there nothing to be done to secure for the Jew just and equitable treatment?

Readers will note with interest Mr. Rohold's treatment of one aspect of the Jewish question, viz., the future of Palestine. His suggestion, that it should be taken from Turkish control and constituted an independent State under the suzerainty of Egypt, is deeply interesting. In view both of Old Testament prophecy and of modern international politics. As to the place of the Jew in our own Empire the author says: "We find that when the German Chancellor lost his temper and declared that treaties were mere scraps of paper, he was speaking of Sir E. Goschen, G.C.B., British Ambassador to Germany." His father was a poor Polish Jew, who came over to London, England, and who tells us that he wanted to become a clerk in a bank, but they would not take him because his handwriting was bad. He sought to become a partner in the bank, but he had no money; so he opened a bank himself. He became Viscount Goschen, member of the Privy Council, and at one time First Lord of the Admiralty, and his son, as the representative of the great British Empire at the German court, had to stand up for the honour of Great Britain, and he did it to the utmost satisfaction of his Sovereign and country.

"The number of Jews in the British Isles, according to the Jewish World of Sept. 29th, 1915, is 245,000, and the Jewish senior chaplain tells us that 15,000 Jews have joined the ranks and have amazed every one by their valor, resourcefulness, and heroism, while hundreds have secured medals, three of them having secured the most coveted honor, that of the Victoria Cross. We find that five of them are holding positions in the British Cabinet. One has become Lord Chief Justice, five are in the House of Lords, six are Privy Counsellors, sixteen are Barons, fourteen are Knights, and there are eighteen members of Parliament. To keep Ireland in order they had to put a Jew, Sir Matthew Nathan, in as Secretary. A handful of Jews yet they monopolize such impor-

tant governmental positions. Is this the Jew who is not wanted? Evidently the leading authorities in Great Britain delight to praise and flatter him."

Such monopoly of governmental positions is also proved to be true as regards the other countries of Europe. Mr. Rohold quotes facts and figures to prove it. These are the splendid services of a few men, but what about the Jewish race? Three millions have actually become beggars. The forty Jewish colonies have been devastated. Five hundred thousand have been slain. Besides, hundreds of thousands have lost business, properties, etc. Have any of the nations promised redress? Not a word about it.

The publishers announce that the profits from the sale of this book go for the relief of the Jews in Poland.

HOW TO ADD TEN YEARS TO YOUR LIFE.

By S. S. Curry, Ph.D., LL.D. The School of Expression, Boston, publishers. 133 pages. Price, \$1.00.

The author embodies in this book his own personal experiences, and these are very interesting. The fountain of eternal youth has been sought after through long ages. Most men and women cling tenaciously to life, even though that life be barren and unattractive. Medical and sanitary science have done much to advance the average life of mankind. Hence, it can be inferred that all classes of people (except, perhaps, the "lifers" in our penitentiaries) will peruse with lively interest a book that can tell them how to add ten years to their life. The simple recipe here presented is that once given by the poet Bryant when he was over eighty years of age. He said that he had added more than ten years to his life by taking a simple exercise while dressing in the morning. Enquiries among men who have passed the Psalmist's allotted period have shown the author that almost all of them were in the habit of taking simple exercise upon rising and also before retiring.

"Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways and be wise," is the Biblical admonition. But Dr. Curry bids us observe the family Tabby instead. "Have you ever noticed a dog or a cat wake up?" he asks. "Observe their instinctive movements; the gradual but vigorous stretch in every direction, the deep breathing, the sympathetic extension and staying of the limbs at the climax, then the gradual giving up of the activity and the moment of restful satisfaction."

The author then elaborates this idea. Patience and perseverance are necessary, he points out. Habits—bad ones, to overcome, good ones, to cultivate—are set forth. A programme of exercises is outlined, and the beneficial effect of these exercises upon vocal training is emphasized. Finding one's right place in the working world is an important part in the plan of lengthening one's life. Carlyle once said: "Blessed is the man who has found his work. Let him seek no other blessing." Dr. Curry is work without imagination. A man must have definite ideals—of the best possible way of doing his work and of his relation to the world. The whole world is full of joy and love. It is human ambition and jealousies that bring the hindrances. Then get rid of these. Neither should the higher faculties remain unimproved. Thanksgiving and praise should be freely given. Praise the Infinite Presence that we can know beauty when we see it, that we can understand truth, and know that two times three are not seven, and that we can participate in the goodness of the universe.

A good and helpful book this is to pick up at odd times when we have the leisure to think about the ideas set forth. For certainly it will set the reader thinking, and anything that can do that is good and wholesome. The individual who

wishes to improve himself, physically, intellectually or spiritually, will find much benefit in a close study of this little book.

RIVALRY FOR AMERICA.

By Francis Parkman, compiled by Louise S. Hasbrouck, McClelland, Goodchild & Stewart, Toronto, publishers. 233 pages. Illustrated. R. Uglow & Co., city.

This is an excellent volume of selections from Parkman's "France and England in North America." Most readers are familiar with the works of this historian of the old regime, and we presume teachers and parents will welcome this compilation from one of the most interesting of his books. It is intended primarily for children, and is written in a style suitable for youthful readers; added to this, it contains notes explaining many of the more difficult historical terms and allusions.

The story of the old regime, when war and the wilderness took their toll of human life along the banks of the St. Lawrence, has a peculiar fascination for the present generation. To dip into these pages is a rare treat after struggling through some of the non-sensical novels of the day. These stories of the good old days of the long ago are of absorbing interest and of historical value. One of Parkman's liveliest pages tells the story of the shipment of young women from Paris and Lyons, Dieppe and Rochelle to Quebec, to furnish wives for the settlers. On their arrival they were "submitted together to the inspection of the suitor, and the awkward young peasant or the rugged soldier of Carignan was required to choose a bride without delay from among the anxious candidates. They, on their part, were permitted to reject any applicant who displeased them; and the first question, we are told, which most of them asked, was whether the suitor had a house and farm. No mercy was shown to obstinate bachelors. Talon, the intendant, issued an order forbidding unmarried men to hunt, fish, trade with the Indians, or go into the woods under any pretext whatever. In short, they were made as miserable as possible. The success of these measures was complete." Increase in the population of the struggling colony was necessary, and the rulers of the day went about the obtaining of their object in a thorough and masterly way.

HOME UNIVERSITY LIBRARY.

"The English Language," by L. P. Smith, M.A.; "Political Thought in England, from Bentham to J. S. Mill," by W. L. Davidson; "Poland," by W. Alison Phillips. Williams & Norgate, London, publishers; William Briggs, Toronto.

The above-mentioned three books are the latest additions to the Home University Library, issued by the well-known English publishers, Williams & Norgate. They constitute valuable extensions to this popular project.

The tragic fate of Poland, now again under the cruel boot of the invader, makes the book on this subject of timely interest. The author traces the rise and fall of that unhappy land, its various partitions, and its Russifications. He deals with the Resurrection of Poland, with Prussia and the Poles, Austria and the Poles, and the Poles and the war.

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"The English Language," by Logan P. Smith, M.A., is a masterly treatment of a large subject in a compact form. He traces the origin of the English language, notes its foreign elements and shows its relation to history in three periods—the earliest, the dark and middle ages, and the modern period. When anything becomes important to use, he points out, it finds its name, and in the history of the names in the English language can be traced many changes in English life, many developments of thought, which would yield a rich reward to patient and careful study.

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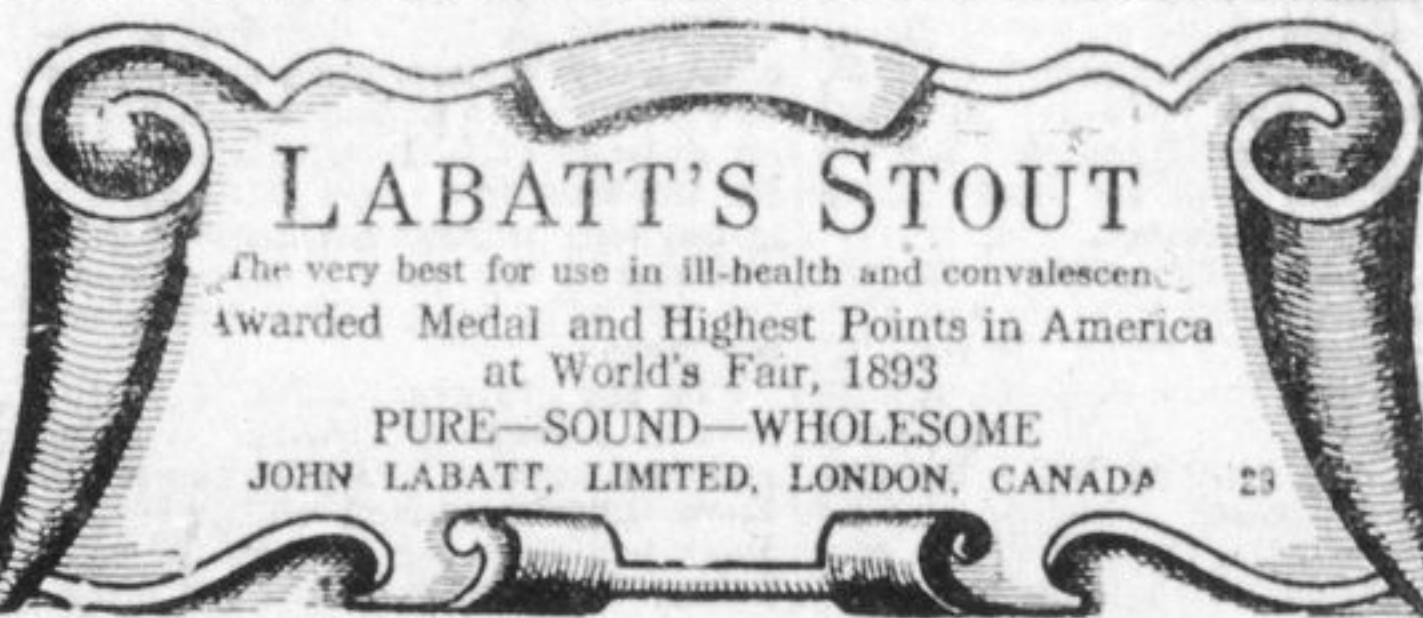
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