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The farmers may object to day-laboring, but it is a safe bet that the hired man won't.

The Unionist party would be sure death to the Conservative party, declares the Toronto Telegram. Well, doesn't that fact alone justify its existence?

"Buy your winter coal now," is the parting advice of the ex-fuel controller. The forehanded man will go ahead with his programme of filling the coal cellar at once.

Canadian railways will adopt daylight saving time in order to conform with the system in vogue on American roads. If the rest of Canada adheres to the old time, there will be a pretty mix-up.

Senate reform is again agitating the politicians at Ottawa. Various schemes have been advanced for the reformation of the second chamber. Why not abolish it altogether? It is a useless legislative encumbrance.

Indications point to an unusually lively season among the Thousand Islands this year. The thousands of visitors will pass through Kingston, but will not stop here because of lack of hotel accommodation. What a pity.

The provincial government proposes to vote \$100,000 for grants to consolidated schools. Part of the money will be used to pay for conveyances and part to pay for agriculture teachers. It is a move in the right direction.

The town of Gananoque lost a worthy citizen by the death of Senator Taylor. He was foremost in every civic enterprise, and did much for the advancement of his native town. His passing will leave a void that will be difficult to fill.

Lorna Moon's daily "Talks" on the woman's page of the Whig are being very favorably commented upon. "The Whig's special features are all admirable, and I must congratulate you upon your enterprise," declares a reader.

Kingston's fuel controller—than whom no abler man could have been selected—has resigned, there being no work for him to do. The Whig called attention early last fall to the utter needlessness of a fuel controller for this city. The facts prove that the Whig was right.

Welcome home, boys of the 45th Battery! Kingston is proud of you, proud also of the splendid record that is yours. You have increased the fame of this old military city, and that is no mean tribute to your work. The freedom of the city is yours.

"Cultivate the back lots," "produce more foodstuffs," "help the greater production movement," advises the government. Yet it neglects to enact the daylight saving law by which such activities are alone made possible. Ottawa's performances should at least be equal to its preachings.

Lord Shaughnessy, in a recent address to over five hundred C. P. R. officials, summed up the demand of the workmen as follows: "They must have the opportunity to enjoy the good things of life that those in

higher positions have enjoyed." The captains of industry are beginning to recognize the fact that there must be a wider measure of co-operation between employers and employees.

THE REAL AMERICAN.

In these days of self-determination of little nations the oldest race in America pleads for recognition. The Rev. Chief Red Sox Skuhshuh, of the northern Blackfoot Indian tribe, has asked the legislature of Idaho to memorialize the United States congress for legislation to set aside a day in the year, preferably in late September, to be known as Indian Day.

There is something of pathos in Chief Red Fox's appeal, on which, as we read, the Idaho legislature's committee on military and Indian affairs has already taken favorable action. As compared with the Indian, all the rest of us in America are mere newcomers, parvenus who have quickly arrived and pride ourselves on an antiquity that is only of yesterday.

The vanishing Indian of North America is one of the most pathetic figures in history. In Latin America the aboriginal population has grown and multiplied side by side with the white settlers and their descendants. In North America there appears not to have been room enough for white and red to dwell together. The expansion of the white race has been accomplished at the expense of the annihilation of the red race, the original lords of the soil. The Indian deserves to be remembered.

FACTS STRANGER THAN FICTION. Now and again one is faced by facts more strange and incomprehensible than the fancies the most daring writers of fiction ever dared to portray. Here is one of them, as revealed in the news of the day.

When the gates of Eastern Penitentiary clanged behind Florence Duke, of Philadelphia, how many times did it make that woman regret the limit in an attempt to reform the men they loved? Charged with participation in motor car thefts for which her husband had previously been sentenced, she made no defence, but courted imprisonment. In her simple speech she said she wanted to be within the same walls as he, so that he could feel her presence, although he would never see her, and be impelled thereby to "go straight" on his release.

Great hearts dare greatly, and this repetition of one of human nature's finest phenomena proves again that great hearts can be and are borne by common clay. That this is so, the recent war also proved world without end. For in its battles and its nerve-shattering cannonades the humblest climbed to Calvary.

But for stimulus to those incredible deeds of valor men had in most instances the courage engendered by acting in the mass and the reaction bred of great events. But where does an otherwise ordinary woman draw the courage to face twelve years in prison in the nebulous hope of reforming her man? Where, except from within? For her there is no thunderous diapason of battle, no feeling of partnership with millions, to hearten the blood. "She is alone. There is something mysterious about all this which men may guess at but never hope to understand.

A BIG HOTEL FOR KINGSTON.

In the previous three articles we have proved conclusively that Kingston needs and wants a real up-to-date hotel. The question which has always been the stumbling block in the past is one of finances. Organizations have been formed and have tried to raise a sufficient amount of money to put through the scheme, but they have always failed, and nothing has been done. Here, then, we have the key to the whole proposition. Some means must be devised whereby an amount of capital sufficient for the purpose can be raised, and raised locally. Kingston's hotel should be built by Kingston capital, and this can be done if the proper means are adopted. Watertown and Alexandria Bay are building hotels by this means, and it is well within the bounds of possibility to do likewise.

In looking around for ideas and suggestions, as to how the necessary finances could be raised, the Whig got in touch with a progressive citizen who has given considerable thought to the hotel building plan. His suggestions were the best of all received, and if carried out, would ensure that Kingston would have a hotel owned by its own citizens. His plan is well worth noting, and it will be found of great use to those who are trying to solve Kingston's hotel problem. The first point he raises is that the hotel must be built entirely independent of the Board of Trade and the City Council. These bodies have in the past made several attempts to solve the problem, but these have been unsuccessful. The first step to be taken is the formation of a commission of progressive, energetic citizens who are vitally interested in the hotel proposition.

When this committee is formed,

and has made some decision as to what style of a hotel is desired, it should go ahead and secure an option on some suitable site. The British-American hotel site is the one generally favored, and would probably be the one to meet with the approval of the large majority of citizens. Having formed the committee and secured an option on the site, it would then be possible to arrange for finances. This would be done in a way which would give practically every citizen an opportunity to participate. The committee would make arrangements for a grand canvassing drive. Ten teams of twenty men each would be chosen. These teams would be composed of progressive young men so far as is possible, and a two or three days' campaign would be held to secure subscriptions to the hotel building company. It must be clearly understood that these subscriptions would not be in the nature of gifts, but investments. The hotel company, once its operations were well under way, would be able to conduct a profitable business, and every subscriber would be a shareholder.

The minimum of subscriptions would be, perhaps, ten dollars, so that no citizen would be barred from having a share in the hotel. The two hundred canvassers would cover the whole city, and would take subscriptions until the whole amount required is obtained. This amount would vary, of course, according to the type of hotel to be built, but for a big, up-to-date hotel a sum of three hundred thousand dollars would not be any too great. The canvassers would be authorized to accept any sum from ten dollars upwards, and to issue a receipt, which would afterwards be exchanged for a stock certificate. This scheme should appeal to all Kingstonsians as a splendid investment, as an investment in the future of their own city.

When the amount required has been subscribed, then, and only then, would the committee go to the city council and ask what concessions they were prepared to grant in connection with tax exemption, water and other services. It would then be up to the council to help along the scheme in every way possible. That is the scheme put forward by one of Kingston's real live men, and it is a scheme well worth considering. There are now in Kingston many young, progressive citizens who would willingly work on the committee, and the project needs only to be started in order to be brought to a successful conclusion.

Nurses Graduating. Forty-eight nurses graduated at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on Thursday, and among the number were Miss Grace Martin, Kingston; Miss Ethel Fleming, Charlottetown; Miss Janet Hyndman, Smith's Falls; and Miss Kathleen Miller, Gananoque.

Resumed the Rectorship. Rev. V. O. Boyls is again taking the rectorship of St. Andrew's church, Wellington, after being connected as chaplain with the C.E.F. for the past year. Rev. Mr. Towle, who filled his place, has received a call to the parish of Bancroft.

"FRED" PENSE HOME

The Whig Welcomes Another Member of Its Fighting Staff.



FREDERICK B. PENSE. Among the soldiers who returned to Kingston Friday afternoon was Frederick B. Pense, a former valued member of the Whig staff.

After a staff of several months as a sergeant, he reverted to the rank of gunner and soon got to France, where he eventually was attached to a trench mortar battery of the third Canadian division. He was in action with the Canadians during the big retreat of a year ago, and in the Allied drives of the summer. Just before the armistice was signed, his unit was close to Mons.

"Fred" Pense received a hearty welcome to Kingston and a joyous one at his old home, 436 Princess street. The Whig staff greets its comrade who went overseas as one of the great army of volunteers.

Weak, Nervous Children Quickly Gain Strength Under Following Plan

Nervousness, just like weakness, is a family predisposition. We inherit tendencies to disease just as we inherit physical resemblances. The strain of study, social duties, work at home—these all tend to make nervous troubles among children. No wonder that St. Vitus Dance, Epilepsy, and constant headaches have become alarmingly common. Pale, nervous, listless young people are met everywhere.

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Rippling Rhymes

CRAZY SIGNATURES

I look on strife as out of place; it is absurd and a disgrace, and sane men seldom need it; but I would like to climb the frame of that galoot who signs his name so no one else can read it. I think all men while dwelling here should hand out smiles and words of cheer, and sing and dance and fiddle; but I would like to use a club upon the maple-headed dubs whose signature's a riddle. As transient guests we tread our path and every sign of spite and wrath we ought to check and muzzle; but I'd be glad if I might slay the drooling idiotic jay whose signature's a puzzle. This sort of fellow has his gall; I hate his fancy, swirling scrawl, I simply can't abide it; I wonder why a human gink will fill his fountain pen with ink, and then get up and ride it? Oh, does he think he'll make a hit by throwing chirographic fit with asinine endeavour? And does he think that folks will say, "Behshrew us, this gymnastic jay must be absurdly clever?" My time is worth two bones a day; I need it all to earn my pay, and I rear up and grumble, and take the shotgun from the floor when I run up against the bore whose signature's a jumble.

—WALT MASON.

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