

THEY MUST EAT CANDLES AT THE FRONT

By Bud Fisher



ASKS D. D. M'KENZIE TO REPEAT CHARGE

A Member Interested in the Dominion Cannery Asks for Satisfaction.

Ottawa, Oct. 9.—F. B. Lalor, M.P. of Haldimand, who is interested in the Dominion Cannery, Limited, has challenged D. D. McKenzie to repeat outside the Commons charges against the company which he brought to the attention of the House. The leader of the opposition read letters alleging that in filling a contract for pork and beans for consumption by soldiers at the front, the company had put in bad beans, pebbles, and other unwholesome material. Mr. Lalor was not present when Mr. McKenzie spoke, and is precluded by the rules of procedure from reopening the subject in the Commons.

He, therefore, expressed his opinion in the charges to Mr. McKenzie in the corridor and, he states, informed the leader of the opposition that if he would make the allegations publicly outside the Commons chamber, the company would speedily take steps to have them investigated.

STRUCK BY A TRAIN.

Unidentified Man Killed Near Shannonville Village.

Belleville, Oct. 9.—The body of an unidentified man lies in Tickell's morgue in this city. Monday afternoon deceased was walking on the C.P.R. track near Shannonville, when he was struck by a west-bound passenger train. He was brought to the hospital here, death resulting shortly after. There was nothing on his clothing to identify him. A conductor's receipt of a ticket shows it to have been given on Sept. 22nd and was from Toronto to Belleville. Deceased was upwards of thirty years of age and was dressed in a dark suit of clothes and wore running shoes. Two of his upper teeth were gold crowned. About a week ago a mule was shaved by a local barber and the victim of the accident resembled him very much.

News From Harrowsmith.

Harrowsmith, Oct. 8.—Thomas Pybus, of Napanee, and Mrs. Ellen McLean, of this place, were quietly married on Wednesday afternoon by Rev. A. W. Stewart. Mr. and Mrs. Pybus left immediately after the ceremony for their home in Napanee.

The stone work of the magnificent new Methodist church is completed, and the carpenters are now working on the roof.

The teachers, Miss Phillips, and Miss Bradshaw, will attend the teachers' convention in Sydenham on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Charles S. Stewart left last week for a trip to the western provinces.

Rally Day will be observed in the Methodist church next Sunday morning. In the morning a temperance mass meeting will be held and an address given by a speaker from Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Ashwin have returned from a visit with friends in Watertown, N.Y.

Baby Is Abandoned.

Belleville, Oct. 8.—Monday afternoon an infant about four weeks old was abandoned at Doner Law station near Marmora. A young woman was seen about the station with the child in her arms a few minutes prior to the departure of C.P.R. train. The little one has been placed in the Children's Shelter here.

Wholesale corruption of Jewish voters in Southwest Toronto by distribution of some thousands of bottles of cherry brandy was charged by H. H. Dewart, leader of the Provincial Liberal party, at his meeting in Templars' Hall, Toronto.

Archdeacon Cody, St. Paul's church, Toronto, will preach the Thanksgiving sermon in the Toronto Methodist Metropolitan church on Monday next.

Wooden Money.

Who ever heard of wooden money? The only known currency of this kind is issued by the Hudson Bay Co., and circulates all over the vast territory controlled by that powerful trading concern.

It is a coinage consisting of pieces of wood known as "castors," which are stamped with a die. These are accepted everywhere in that territory as cash, and are exchangeable for all sorts of supplies and commodities at the widely scattered stations of the corporation.

The area governed by the company is vast. In one straight line it extends as far as from London to Mecca; from King's Posts to the Pelly Banks is further than from Paris to Sarmacand. Over all of this region the corporation exercises a complete dominion, employ the native Indians, chiefly Ojibways and Crees, to collect the furs which furnished its revenue.

Hudson Bay is about two-thirds the size of the Gulf of Mexico. It is an almost landlocked sea, with 3,000 miles of coast line. More than 200 years ago Hendrik Hudson, trying to find the northwest passage, wintered there. His crew mutinied and set him adrift in an open boat with his son and seven others. He and his companions were never seen again.

The unit of value in that part of the world is a beaver skin. Two martens are equal to one beaver. The trapping is done in winter, and in spring the Indians bring the pelts to the stations, receiving in payment for them wooden money. With the latter they buy what supplies they need at the store maintained by the company at the station.

Still Think of Us as Pioneers.

Pre-war ideas of Canada as a wild colony appear to die hard in England. For instance, a London writer in a famous daily says: "I have just noticed what I regard as a very interesting advertisement in an imposing contemporary: Footman required for Canada. Good situation, etc. Really I should not have been more astonished if I had read that a stockman was required for Berkeley Square. Does it mean that the threatened exodus of well-to-do families from this country is already begun? Certainly no everyday pioneer wants to take a footman with him!"

Hot Weather.

"Call this hot weather," said a visitor to Canada. "Why, I've seen it so hot down south that the popcorn popped right on the stalks." "Whew!" exclaimed the host. "And that's not all; the juice of the cane in the next field turned to molasses, ran through the fence, mixed up with the popcorn and formed the finest combination of popcorn and molasses that ever crossed your lips."

Cells In Lungs.

There are 175,000,000 cells in the lungs, and, spread out, they would cover a surface thirty times greater than the human body.

Those English Punters.

The match shortage in England is used by the British press to recall a story of the well-known firm of Bryant & May, match manufacturers. One day when they were in the heyday of their prosperity the senior partner, Mr. Bryant, dressed in the height of fashion, drove a spanking team on the Ascot race course. "Halloa!" exclaimed a wit, pointing to the horses, "Bryant's got his mch there." "Yes, and Bryant himself looks very striking on the box."

Sign Posts.

Profiting by war-time experience the French Ministry of Transport is replacing the familiar small metal direction signs by the large guide posts and notices which were found so useful in the battle zone. Some of the old battlefield signposts deserve preservation. There was the pathetic board on the Somme that announced "Guillemont once stood here," the notice at Zillebeke Lake, "Don't waste bombs on fish—throw them at Fritz," and the board at Albert surmounting a heap of rubble and stating simply, "Cathedral."

Trial by Writing.

If a theft takes place in a Japanese household all the servants are required to write a certain word with the same brush. The conscience is supposed to betray its workings in the waves of the ideographs written.

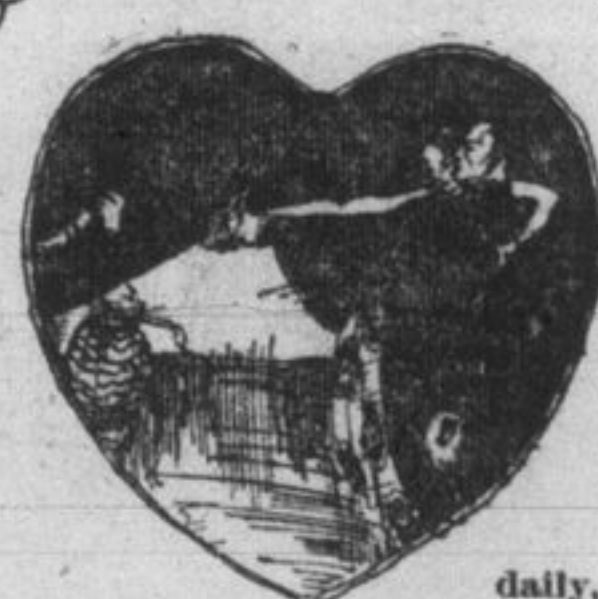
All street railways and industries throughout the Rhine Palatinate are at a standstill, the supply of electric current having been suspended owing to the lack of coal.

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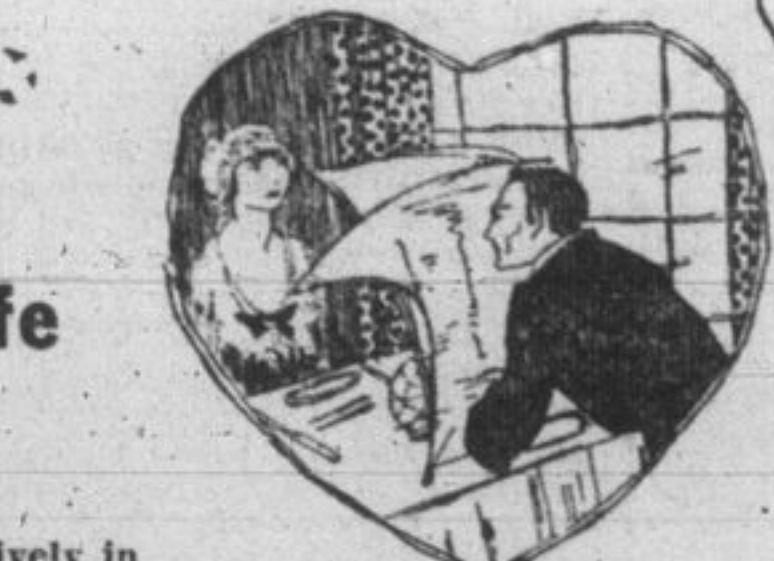
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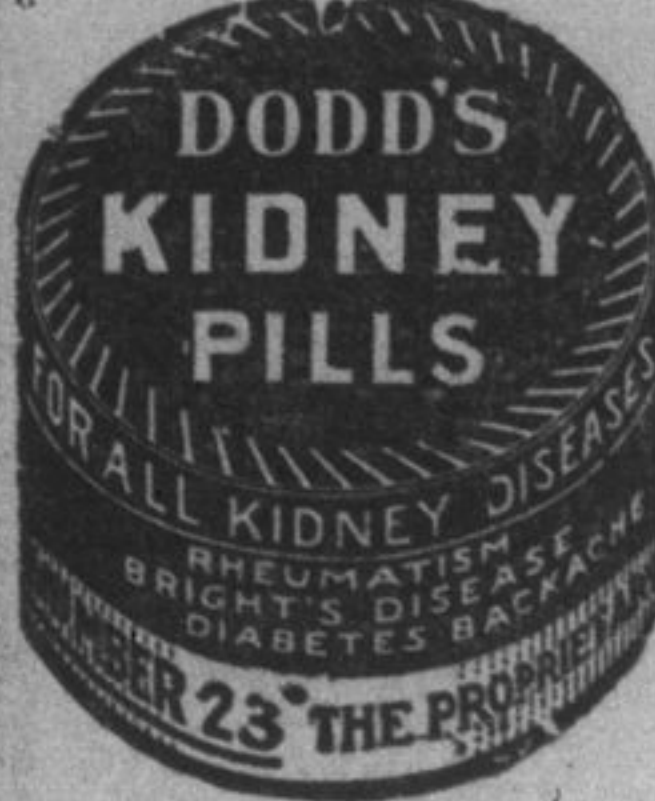
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