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Among the people who are signing peace treaties with reservations are the brides who are promising to obey their husbands.

Some of the Reds arrested in the United States are to be deported to Canada. There should be no delay in shipping them out again.

We are rapidly approaching a situation where it will no longer be possible for us to say that Europe has gone crazy.—Milwaukee Journal.

The results of the prohibition vote in the United States has left things in a very hazy condition. It is hard to tell what is going to be the outcome.

We don't need revolutions in this country to upset an unpopular government. Just consider what the voters did to the Heast government in Ontario last month.

The announcement that there are seven thousand "red" agitators throughout Canada and the United States explains why there are so many strikes in some centres.

"We will make hard the way of the partizan and we will make easy the way of the man who wants the good of the country and not the good of his party."—Premier-elect Drury.

The people who are making the most fuss about losses through ignorant strikes are about the same ones who always kicked when it was proposed to spend more money on the schools.

The campaign for the Victory Loan ends on Saturday. Kingston's response is not what it ought to be. It becomes the duty of every citizen to lend his aid in the last great clean-up of the war.

Smallpox always brings another evil in its train—the inevitable wordy war between vaccinationists and anti-vaccinationists. They're at it, hammer and tongs, in Toronto today. The first thing we know, it will break out in Kingston, too.

Once more there is a big demand for dwelling houses, both to buy and rent. The action of a prominent property owner in boosting his rents to an unreasonable figure has caused many to hunt for new quarters. But they are as hard to find as hen's teeth.

The stories of Kingstonians who have made successes abroad are sure to be very popular. The first one is published to-day. Kingston-born boys have risen to prominence in all lines of activity, and the story of their lives ought to prove an inspiration to the youth of to-day.

The Italian chamber of deputies will be elected at the end of this month by the system of proportional representation. This reform is a plank in the platform of the United Farmers of Ontario, so we may expect to see it adopted here in due course. The present method is antiquated.

True happiness is not found in straining one's strength, bruising one's hands or tearing one's flesh to reach some coveted goal away up on the rocky mountain side. It is found in stopping now and then to pick a flower that grows beside the upward way. To-day holds many beauties for those who will stop a minute to analyze and enjoy them. To-morrow they may have fled away.

Would Re-name Shakespeare's Plays. Justina Wayne, dramatic actress, of London, sends an explanation of the question as to why Shakespearean plays seldom win financial reward in what she terms Shakespeare's inability to give his production catchy titles. She suggests a reperiatory of the bard's plays rechristened to meet popular demands for stimulating titles.

She suggests "How Could You Juliet?" as more appropriate than plain "Romeo and Juliet." She also would substitute "Call of the Fish" for "The Merchant of Venice," "Strangled in Bed" for "Othello," "The Nutty Princess" for "Hamlet," "Hon. Whom Do You Love?" for "Henry VIII," "Big Dick" for "Richard the Third," "The Knife" for "Julius Caesar," and "Moonlight and Honeyuckle" for "Midsummer Night's Dream."

A GREAT INVESTMENT.

No lover of his country can better invest his money for his country's future than to put it into the work of humane education. Lawlessness, violence, strife, strikes, lockouts, boycotts, class animosities—these symptoms of a diseased social order were never so common this side the sea as to-day. The war has been in part responsible for this. War never leaves behind it any higher ideal of civic righteousness than that which preceded it; rather does it pull down all the ideals with which men entered into it.

Leave out of our public schools a large part of what now consumes the time of teacher and pupil and quicken in the hearts of the scholars the idea of justice, fair play, humanity and human kinship, and not only would the future of the country be safeguarded from many a peril, but our children would be educated in things that are really fundamental and vital in character and life. This is humane education.

TEACHERS, HAVE FAITH.

Like every other calling, that of the public school teacher has been disturbed by the unusual conditions now prevailing. The rewards offered to labor, both skilled and unskilled, are unsettling the tradition that teaching, like preaching, is a true "calling" to high and noble minds. Young men and women are thinking twice before entering normal schools to pass years preparing for a work that is paid less than brick-laying or carpentering. The other day a college president telegraphed an offer of a position to a talented post-graduate, and received the prompt reply: "Declined with thanks, am making much more at this job."

What of the future? Let teachers have faith. While it is very likely that pre-war conditions will never be re-established here or elsewhere, it is a certainty that those of the present cannot continue. The relative dignity and importance of every calling and profession have been pretty well established in public esteem, and ideals are not easily overturned. No people so idealistic as Canadians will long continue to pay a teacher the rewards of an hostler. Conditions to-day are decidedly abnormal, and if combination and conspiracy have extorted undue compensation in some callings involving the necessities of life, these will be adjusted in time. Besides, the rewards of teachers are not those of salary alone, and the better the teacher he more keenly is this felt and understood.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT.

It is to be hoped that the assurances of the farmers that they will in no way hinder the development of the Hydro-Electric system of Ontario will be carried out. The system is the most important feature of the development of the resources of Ontario at the present time, and this position will become more pronounced as times goes, and it would be disastrous if anything should interfere with its development. The importance of the Hydro-Electric system to Kingston is bound to become greater in a very few years. Sir Adam Beck has estimated that the St. Lawrence is capable of developing from two to four million horse-power, half of which will go to Ontario and half to the United States. The development of this power and its distribution should have a great effect upon Kingston's future. It will provide a close-at-hand source of power which should give the city very low rates, and the effect of this will be found in the inducements offered to industries to locate here.

THE COP.

Oh, the cop gets princely wages, just to hear and sympathize, when we'd vent our futile rages, and hand out some sobs and sighs. He is standing on the corner, in his uniform of blue, and he'll weep with any mourner who would raise a howdydo. Tell your troubles to the copper, an attentive ear he lends; it's immoral and improper if you spring them on your friends. We have at our little sorrows, in each breast some sorrows lodged; and no man or woman borrows any trouble he can dodge; so when you are seen approaching with fresh grievances supplied. I don't need a lot of coaching ere I run away and hide. Tell your troubles to the peeler, he will fatten on your wail; he will list to every speller, as he leans against the jail; oh, he leans against the prison, and he teeters on his toes, and a princely wage is his'n, just because he hears your woes. All your griefs are old and hoary, and of weariness they're full; so and tell your dismal story to the nearest harness bull.

Rippling Rhymes

Not content with a gain of three inches in height during the last century, the average woman is suddenly expanding her shoulders. Experts attribute this to school gymnastics and swimming practice, but what are the railway companies going to do about it—issue an order against physical development, erase their "no seat five persons" legends or build coaches to measure? In the average passenger of either sex it is the shoulders that count, but they measure less than most people imagine. Most coaches allow an average of 17 to 17 inches.

THE BATTLE OF THE WINDMILL

On November 13, 1838 there were stirring times around Prescott, Ont. The rebellion was the cause, and the presence of an armed body in the vicinity had created great unrest and fear among the pioneer-inhabitants. Two days earlier two steamers from Toronto and Oswego, lashed side to side, had dropped down the St. Lawrence and attempted to moor at the wharf at Prescott. Their approach was seen by sentries and Col. Young, the British commander on shore, had been notified. One grounded in the delta of the Oswegatchie; the other moored opposite a windmill near Prescott. It was a strong structure built originally for a gristmill but as it had proved a poor business venture, it had been converted into a lighthouse. It was of stone and made a very secure fort. So the invaders seized it and prepared to defend themselves against all attack.

PUBLIC OPINION

Ethereal Diet. (Oregon Journal) The flying parole United demonstrated what a great many people have evidently believed, namely, that the minister could be supported on air.

Our Example. (Quebec Telegraph) Ireland must be governed as Canada is, and she must bear the same relation to the Empire that Canada does. It is to be hoped that the British Government will fully recognize this.

What It Looks Like. (Toronto Globe) The latest proposal for a settlement of the Irish question, namely, two separate Parliaments, looks like encouraging rather than subduing strife.

Must Depend On Our Resources. (Brandon Expositor) Canada must set seriously to the task of handling her raw materials and her great mineral wealth to the end that she shall become more self-contained than at present. We cannot have a stabilized industry here if we are to lean upon a supply from the United States that is apt at any time to show itself honeycombed with uncertainty and crippled with strikes.

Foresees a Clash. (Montreal Herald) The cities of the United States vote against prohibition and the farmers for it. The cities vote for daylight saving and the farmers against it. The cities are mostly for protection and the farmers are for free trade. The cities are strong for lowering the cost of food but the farmers are willing to accept the highest market price. Is there to be a great struggle on this continent between urban and rural forces? It looks that way.

A Bad Practice. (Woodstock Sentinel-Review) The practice of allowing public service corporations to have their own way at all times, just because they are powerful and can hire lawyers, is a bad one. It is bad for the public service, and in the end it is bad for the corporations. The power and the influence of public-utility corporations is one of the several causes of the present unrest. There is a point beyond which it is not safe to tax the endurance of any people, and powerful corporations, in spite of their wealth and their ability to hire lawyers, are beginning to find that out.

Expanding Shoulders. (London Chronicle) Not content with a gain of three inches in height during the last century, the average woman is suddenly expanding her shoulders. Experts attribute this to school gymnastics and swimming practice, but what are the railway companies going to do about it—issue an order against physical development, erase their "no seat five persons" legends or build coaches to measure? In the average passenger of either sex it is the shoulders that count, but they measure less than most people imagine. Most coaches allow an average of 17 to 17 inches.

A long yarn is sometimes produced from the threads of conversation.

Canada-East and West

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Advertisement for Bibby's Hats and Bibby's Shoes. Features 'HATS', 'BIBBY'S', 'SHOES' and 'STYLE HEADQUARTERS'. Includes a list of clothing items like 'Young Men's Suits' and 'Men's Overcoats' with prices. Also mentions 'NEW TWEED HATS' and 'Real Be auties'.

Advertisement for Lowe Bros. Aluminum Paint. Lists 'STOVE PIPE ENAMEL' and 'McCLARY'S WATERPROOF STOVE DRESSING' with prices. Also mentions 'BUNT'S HARDWARE'.

Advertisement for David Scott Plumber. Lists 'Plumbing and Gas Work a specialty' and 'All work guaranteed. Address 145 Frontenac street. Phone 1277.'

Advertisement for Chamois Vests. Features 'For Men and Women', 'Best Quality FELT in different colors', and 'Chamois-lined'. Also mentions 'DR. CHOWN'S DRUG STORE'.

Advertisement for Butter Wrapping Paper. Lists 'Stock Printing "Choice Jalry Butter"', '1,000, \$1.50; 2,000, \$2.00; 10,000, \$5.00'. Also mentions 'Special prices on large quantities. Shipping charges paid on 2,000 and over. BRITISH WHIG PUBLISHING CO., KINGSTON'.

Advertisement for Pure Sweet Cider. Features '50c Per Gallon' and 'Jas. REDDEN & Co. Phones 20 and 900.'

Advertisement for Farms for Sale. Lists various acreages and prices: '1. 200 acres Price \$25,000', '2. 300 acres Price 18,000', etc.

Advertisement for T.J. Lockhart. Features 'Real Estate and Insurance', 'CLARENCE STREET', and 'Phone 1065W. or 1707J.'

Advertisement for Crawford Coal. Features 'The Standard Anthracite. Chief Distributor for Kingston' and 'Foot of Queen St. Phone 9.'

Advertisement for The Wm. Davies Co., Ltd. Features 'PHONE 597', 'LOOK AND STUDY', 'DAVIES' PRICES FOR FRIDAY', and a list of meat prices: '500 lbs. Boiling Cuts or Stewing Beef .12 1/2 per lb.', 'Boneless Rolled Stewing Beef 18c. per lb.', etc.