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A good way in which to avoid the  
flu—keep warm physically and cool  
mentally.

The experts predict that eggs are  
to drop. If they drop on the least  
at breakfast time all will be well.

If stable industries could only be  
attracted to Kingston as easily as  
amusement houses, all would be well.

"Wanted—girl for cooking," reads  
an advt. in the Buffalo Evening News.  
We presume the advertiser will in-  
sist that she be young and tender.

War appears to be the chief occu-  
pation of the Bolsheviks of Russia—a  
strange indulgence for a party that  
claims its mission to be to put a stop  
to fighting.—Guelph Herald.

"Hon. W. E. Raney has draped the  
trough of patronage in the altar cloth  
of merit," shouts the Toronto Tele-  
gram. Perhaps somebody knows  
what this means, but we greatly  
doubt it.

The thermometer has been steadily  
going down, while everything else  
has been going up. Yet human na-  
ture is so perverse that it is quite  
likely that it will not acknowledge its  
gratitude.

Education is the task of leading  
people to what is best—and making  
what is best out of them. The two  
go hand in hand and are accomplish-  
ed by the same means. The training  
which makes men happiest in them-  
selves is sure to make them most  
serviceable to others.

The United States has deported  
3,000 Reds, yet enough of them are  
left in the home of the free to cause  
consternation. In commenting upon  
the situation, President Gompers, of  
the American Federation of Labor,  
condemns the Red movement com-  
pletely, finally and for all time. Uncle  
Sam apparently agrees with him.

By its shipbuilding policy the Cana-  
dian government has done much to  
replace the world's tonnage sunk by  
the German submarines. Canadian-  
built vessels, sailing under govern-  
ment control, are now plowing  
the seven seas, and still others are  
in course of construction. The Canadian  
merchant marine is a credit to the  
country.

H. H. Dewart, M.P.P., demands an  
enquiry into the operations of the  
Hamilton Milk Company, of which  
Hon. F. C. Briggs, Ontario's minister  
of public works, is a shareholder.  
The holdings of the minister, Mr.  
Dewart charges, jumped from \$2,000  
in 1912 to \$11,000 in 1917. The  
public will certainly back Mr. Dewart  
in demanding an enquiry.

The response to the appeal on be-  
half of the distressed Armenians  
does credit to the humanity of the  
people of Kingston. "Inasmuch as we  
do it unto the least of these, my  
brethren, ye do it unto Me," declared  
One whose human sympathy included  
all nations and all times. That ad-  
monition should stir the hearts of  
all Christian people to-day.

The Whig is pleased to note that  
the G.W.V.A. has endorsed its policy  
of abolishing all fees in connection  
with the Collegiate Institute. Educa-  
tion should be as free as possible ev-  
erywhere, and should be as accessi-  
ble to the children of the poor as to  
those of the rich. That action is  
building on the safest foundation  
which provides for the fullest and  
freest education of all its citizens.

**CRITICS AND OTHERS.**  
One insistent criticism of the  
church is that it stands idle when  
work is to be done. One man com-  
plains because it does not establish  
enough city missions and settlement  
houses for the attraction and com-  
fort of the poor. Another wonders  
why pioneer towns in the newer west  
are not being better served. Another  
grumbles at the lack of enterprise  
displayed in the rural districts where  
the small "barn of a church" scarce-  
ly reaches the special interests of the  
community. Still another asks why  
the church fails to establish and con-  
duct employment bureaus. Another  
asks what is being done to reach the  
un-church'd masses of the cities.

There are two reasons why the  
church has not yet achieved its whole  
task; first, because of the sudden  
growth of Canada and the kaleidos-  
copic changes of conditions. A great  
organization, like a stately liner,  
must have room and time to turn  
around. The second reason is in the  
lack of money resources. It takes  
money to build missions and homes,  
to furnish them properly, to main-  
tain them and pay a staff adequate  
salaries for their management. It  
may be taken as a general rule that  
the men who are most censorious and  
most eager to reveal shortcomings in  
the church are those who are not re-  
gular contributors to the work al-  
ready established. The men who  
know what live things are being  
done now, in the various congrega-  
tions at home, in the mission fields  
in Canada and elsewhere, cannot re-  
frain from wonder at all that has  
been achieved.

They, more than any outsider, are  
eager for the expansion of the work.  
They realize the sudden and unpre-  
cedented pressure of the times. They  
know what exchange discounts mean  
to a missionary and his family. They  
are uneasy over the salary list of  
these men—the men who know—who  
are most ardent in their support  
of the Forward Movement, and who  
will subscribe to the limit of their  
resources.

**NEEDED WORDS OF ADVICE.**  
The address of Hon. Arthur  
Meighen, federal minister of the in-  
terior, before the Canadian Club of  
this city on Friday evening was a  
very able presentation of the condi-  
tions that confront the dominion to-  
day. He performed a national ser-  
vice in calling attention to the pro-  
blems that face us and in insisting  
that every individual citizen should  
assume his full share of responsibil-  
ity.

Canada's debt, which before the  
war was only about \$300,000,000,  
had mounted to nearly \$1,900,000,000  
by the end of 1919. This fact alone,  
the minister pointed out, should con-  
vince everyone of the necessity of  
getting down to hard work in order  
to reduce this enormous burden.  
Greater production was imperative,  
and in order to meet our obligations  
this production must be nearly three  
times as great as in the past. Mr.  
Meighen also dwelt upon the present  
day tendency toward extravagance,  
and by so doing he sounded a note  
of warning that all should heed. We  
are buying vastly more than we  
need, in some cases even more than  
we can pay for, from the United  
States, he declared, adding: "Can-  
adian money to-day stands at a dis-  
count of ten per cent. It is a humil-  
iating position for such a country  
as Canada, and is something that  
must be removed." The only way  
to remove this humiliation is, of  
course, by making and buying our  
own goods.

In closing, Hon. Mr. Meighen em-  
phasized the need of stable govern-  
ment in Canada to-day—a need that  
thoughtful men everywhere must re-  
cognize and admit. Fanatics and ex-  
tremists, though noisy and forceful,  
must not be permitted to lead the  
public astray. It was, above all, a  
time when moderate men of every  
class and connection should stand  
together for the good of their coun-  
try. Only thus, he declared, could  
the ship of state weather the storm  
and steer safely through the prob-  
lems that confront us. Such a con-  
dition requires an able and outstand-  
ing leader, and this the present gov-  
ernment has not given the country.  
A strong and masterful guiding hand  
is required at the helm to-day. For  
all practical purposes, Canada is  
leaderless. Premier Borden is no  
doubt ill and deserving of the rest he  
seeks far away from his public du-  
ties. Upon his shoulders during the  
war period there fell a vast responsi-  
bility—a responsibility that would  
ultimately break the strongest of  
constitutions. We believe that Cana-  
da owes a great debt to Sir Robert  
Borden for his untiring work during  
the strenuous years of war. But,  
when he found that he could no  
longer bear the burden of leadership,  
he should have insisted upon the ap-  
pointment of a successor. No in-  
stitution can long survive without an  
active and acknowledged head, a cap-  
tain who will supply leadership, di-  
rection and driving force. If such a  
man was not available from within  
the government or could not be found  
among its supporters in the house,  
an outsider of commanding ability  
could have been called in to take  
command. Union government has  
given this country a large amount of  
splendid legislation, but it has been  
slow to advertise its own virtues, and  
has been deprived for long periods of

the services of a leader who could  
interpret to the public its ambitions  
and its accomplishments. In the  
meantime, however, its critics were  
not silent, and as a result the popu-  
larity of the government suffered.  
Though Mr. Meighen, in his address  
in this city, did not refer to these  
facts, he no doubt understands them  
well. He has done something,  
though, to acquaint the people with  
the problems and the duties of the  
present day, and has given expres-  
sion, in some measure at least, of the  
government's desire to supply leader-  
ship and direction to the nation in  
these critical days.

**PUBLIC OPINION**

**Eagerly Waiting.**  
(London Advertiser)  
Sir Herbert Holt advises to put  
your money in the bank, not to spend  
it on amusement or goods. Prices  
are going down soon, he says. Hurry  
up with the proof, Sir Herbert.

**Would Help Some.**  
(Boston Transcript)  
It is the growing impression that  
a stronger appetite for work would  
result in giving some of the hungry  
European people more food with  
which to satisfy their hunger for  
bread.

**Only Extravagant America.**  
(Buffalo News)  
All the other countries of Europe,  
which adopted the daylight saving  
plan during the war, intend to hold  
to it as a measure of economy. It is  
only extravagant America that has  
even considered returning to the pre-  
war fixed time.

**Real Experts.**  
(Buffalo Courier)  
Food experts at a convention this  
week in Cleveland are discussing  
ways to prevent waste of food. House  
wives who have been struggling with  
the problem for a good many months  
could probably give them some in-  
teresting information.

**Huge Profits.**  
(Buffalo Express)  
Morris & Co., one of the "Big  
Five" packers, report profits last  
year of \$703,641.25. This, it is claim-  
ed, is only one-eighth of 1 per cent.  
on the total sales and 1.25 per cent.  
on a capitalization of \$56,025,684.  
This report doesn't help to show  
where the consumer's dollar goes.



**HERE'S A DOG MANIAC; MUSICAL  
JAP SPANIEL**  
Togo, a remarkable dog in London,  
has a passion for piano-music. Louis  
Wain, the cat caricaturist, owns this  
interesting animal. When the dog  
started playing it was like the sol-  
enn opening of a sonata. As he play-  
ed the notes, passing from bass into  
treble, the dog was obviously pleased.  
One high note he liked very much, so  
with his comical red tongue protrud-  
ing like a thoughtful child, he played  
it several times. Togo, said Mr. Wain,  
"once learned that he could attract  
attention by knocking a saucer up and  
down on the piano." The picture shows Togo  
at the piano.

**Rippling Rhymes**

**HENS.**  
I have a dozen silly hens I bought to make High  
Cost look sick; and it would take a powerful lens to  
see just where they do the trick. 'Twas in a poultry  
magazine I read that chickens always pay; they lay  
large eggs, and said eggs mean a handsome profit  
every day. That publication misleads its guests, or tried  
to put some bunk across; the female roosters I pos-  
sess are nothing but a total loss. I dreamed when  
first I took them home, of selling eggs about the town;  
no more I'd hawk the dippy pome, and have my pat-  
rons beat me down. A basketful of henfruit fine I'd  
proudly take upon my arm, and draw eight plunks or  
maybe nine—such dreams of commerce have their  
charm. Alas, my hens are golden bricks, they loaf  
around on idle legs; their squawking voices answer  
"Nix," when I beseech them for some eggs. They eat  
all kinds of greens and grain—what such things cost  
my ledger tells; I feed egg tonics all in vain, they  
won't lay eggs, nor even shells. That delegate was surely daff who wrote  
that hens would help out fine; we cannot beat the High Cost graft by  
keeping hens or cows or swine.

**The Reason Why**

**How Does Water Put a Fire Out?**  
This is at first a puzzling ques-  
tion, because back in your mind is  
the thought that since hydrogen and  
oxygen are necessary to make a fire  
burn, it seems strange that water,  
which is composed of oxygen and  
hydrogen, will also put it out.

A burning fire throws off heat, but  
if too much of the heat is taken from  
the fire suddenly the temperature of  
the fire is sent down so far below  
the point at which the oxygen of the  
air will combine with it that the fire  
cannot burn. We speak commonly  
as though water thrown on a fire  
drowns it. That is practically what  
happens. Scientifically what hap-  
pens is that the water thrown upon  
the fire absorbs so much of the heat  
to itself that the temperature of the  
fire is reduced below the point where  
oxygen will combine with the car-  
bon in the burning material and the  
fire goes out.

To answer the unasked part of  
your question at the same time I  
will say that hydrogen and oxygen  
when combined as water will put the  
fire out rather than make it burn,  
more because when these gases take  
the form of water they are already  
once burned, and you know that any-  
thing, substance or gas, which has  
already been burned cannot be burned  
again. It required great heat to  
make oxygen and hydrogen combine  
and form water, and it also takes  
great heat to separate them again.  
So they are really burned once before  
they become water.

—From the Book of Wonders  
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**Canada—East and West**

**Dominion Happenings of Other  
Days.**

**The S. S. Beaver.**  
The pioneer steamship of the Nor-  
thern Pacific was the "Beaver"  
whose history from first to last was  
a romantic one. The vessel was built  
on the Thames for the Hudson's Bay  
Company and was launched in 1836  
in the presence of at least 150,000  
people and King William-as well as  
a long list of the nobility of the land.  
Cheers from thousands greeted her  
again when she sailed for the new  
world. She was a side wheel steamer  
101 feet in length, twenty feet beam  
and a tonnage of 109 tons. Her ma-  
chinery was in place but for the voy-  
age to the Pacific she carried her  
paddle wheels on board and sailed as  
a brig. Under canvas she sailed for  
the Pacific on August 27th, 1835, in  
command of Captain Home with the  
brig Columbia as her escort. Two  
hundred and four days later—on  
March 19th—she drooped anchor in  
the mouth of the Columbia River.  
At once she was fired in honor of  
the occasion, what is probably the  
first salute ever heard on the North-  
ern Pacific on June 13th of that  
year. That was when the Fort was  
completed and the flag of the Com-  
pany run up for business.  
The old Beaver was a familiar  
sight along the coast for many years  
weathering some great gales but in  
July, 1888, it was her fate to run on  
a rock near the entrance to Vancou-  
ver harbor. There she became a total  
wreck.  
Although the Beaver opened steam  
navigation on the British Columbia  
coast it was not until fourteen years  
after her arrival from overseas that  
a companion vessel came out. This  
was the Otter, a vessel of about 220  
tons, which came from London to  
Vancouver in five months.

**Lay to the Fordson Tractor.**  
The Fordson on the farm arose  
Before the dawn, at four,  
It drove the cows, it washed the  
clothes  
And finished all the chores.  
Then forth it went into the field  
Just at the break of day.  
It reaped and threshed the golden  
yield  
And hauled it all away.

It plowed the field that forenoon  
And when the job was through  
Hummed a pleasant little tune.  
While it churned the butter too.  
Then it pumped the water for the  
stock  
And ground a crib of corn  
And hauled the baby round the  
block  
To still its cries forlorn.

Thus ran the busy hours away  
By many a labor blest,  
And yet, when fell the twilight grey,  
Our "Hero" had not rest  
For while the farmer, peaceful-eyed  
Red by the tungsten's glow  
The patient Fordson stood outside  
And ran the dynamo.  
—Darlington, Wis., Journal.

**BIBBY'S**  
**MEN'S AND BOYS' WEAR STORES**

**I Should Say!**  
No doubt you must get tired reading the store advertise-  
ments with big head lines—20% off January Sale—Selling  
Out Sales—Going Away Sales. Now we would say look them  
all over, then come in to our store and ask to see our range  
with the plain price in plain figures. We are quite safe in say-  
ing you will think you dropped into a wholesale house, because  
our prices in comparison with others will look like wholesale  
prices.

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<b>Men's Khaki Handkerchiefs</b>	<b>Young Men's Tweed Raincoats</b> New Waist-line models; nobby patterns; extra special value ..... \$18.00
<b>Men's White Handkerchiefs</b> ..... 3 for 25c.	<b>Men's Wool Socks</b> Grey, with blue heel and toe ..... 25c. pair
<b>Men's Linen Collars</b> Discontinued and broken lines; all sizes ... 2 for 25c.	<b>Men's Wool Socks</b> Black; ribbed ... 50c. pair
<b>Men's Fancy Lisle Hose</b>	<b>Men's Wool Underwear</b> Combination or two piece; special value . \$3.00 per suit
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