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There is business, but only those who hustle will get it.

"Enclosed please find cheque," business phrase. Obsolete.

Our old friend, the 100-cent dollar, is on its way back to town.

Up to date unemployment hasn't noticeably affected the burglar business.

"Don't be silly" is what a woman says when you start to get the best of the argument.

Another one of the burning questions of the times is whether Luke McLuke is a man or a woman.

The only thing we can understand about the income tax is that it has to be paid.—Montreal Herald.

Most newspapers only voice their opinions once a day, which is the reason for the scarcity of editresses.

The W.C.T.U. might consider the growing popularity of smoking and swearing, especially the latter, among girls and women.

Perhaps the "hello girls" do get abused, but they certainly have the advantage when it comes to chopping you off in the middle of a sentence.

The provincial treasurer says he is proud of the deficit of over \$800,000. Wonder what words he would use in describing a surplus, if one came his way!

With the discovery of a fertilizer that will not only grow grass, but kill weeds, how will hubby spend his summer evenings?—Toronto Weekly Star.

If Germany had won she would have presented the Allies with a war bill of five hundred billion marks, twice what she is asked to pay now. Let 'er howl.

The merchant who takes advantage of daily newspaper advertising can inform everyone—every day—that his store is alive with opportunities for the buyer.

The honeymoon season will soon be here and the wise young man will remember that the amount of "honey" nearly always depends on the amount of money.

Nowadays an advertisement may be defined, says an English paper, as the picture of a pretty girl eating, wearing, holding or driving something that somebody wants to sell.

The fire loss in Canada last year represented about \$3.42 per capita of the population, or about ten times the ratio that prevails in Europe. Canadians are in great need of education along lines of fire prevention.

With a debt of over \$128,000,000 the Ontario government, instead of reducing expenditure, largely increases it and at the same time imposes additional taxes. One wonders what has become of the economy that the farmers were going to practice.

The death of jazz is proclaimed in England. That's something to be grateful for. As the Montreal Star remarks: The stuff is hideous, discordant and barbaric. It is and always was an imposition upon our civilization, like some fantastic object brought from the African jungle to divert the curious by its quaint defiance of the principles of refinement as we understand them.

MEDITATE AN HOUR. It is a truly great philosophy that Wait Whitman, the poet, left as his legacy to the world. He is who wrote: "I loaf and invite my soul."

There is never a person but that some time in his life needs self-communion. A balancing, as it were, of the profit and loss of his account with himself.

We are prone to smile over the old-fashioned "hour of meditation." And yet it is living, not life, that has changed. We are the same, in our weakness or strength, in capability or limitations.

But living is more complex, more strenuous, especially for women.

We are making history at the rate of a year a day if we compare these times with all the ages that have gone before. If our grandmothers needed intervals of solitude do not we?

Self-knowledge is a positive essential of success.

AN EDUCATED DEMOCRACY

"The Maple Leaf," published by the Canadian Club of New York, contains, in the issue of Feb. 15th, an able editorial based upon a recent address delivered before the club by Prof. Herbert L. Stewart, professor of philosophy, Dalhousie University, Halifax, in which he appealed for a recognition of the duty laid upon us all for fitting every voter, in every land where votes now determine government, to exercise his franchise upon the basis of such a training as will cause every vote to be wisely and fitly deposited in the ballot box.

Prof. Stewart contended that universities everywhere should address themselves to this great and highly necessary educative task, one that should command the wide attention of statesmen and educators. The Maple Leaf deals with some of the characteristics of the people of English-speaking countries that do not make for efficiency and sound knowledge of the principles that should enable a democracy to express itself with that certainty of right and truth which alone makes us a free people, whether as individuals or as a nationality.

The Adult Education Committee of the British University of Reconstruction in rendering its final report came to the conclusion that a democracy must be an educated democracy, and pointed to the lessons to be derived from a study of the formidable strength produced by Germany whose system included universal scientific, systematic instruction, resulting in an extraordinary unanimity of national aim and an undeniable capacity of sacrifice for an ideal, wrong though that ideal was. And wrong though it was, narrow and selfish, it does not make the effort put forth less wonderful. The report says:

"We see how much the German machine left lacking of individual initiative, of varied forms of development, of buoyancy of spirit—qualities that can only grow up in an atmosphere of freedom. But some of the best lessons are those taught by the enemy; and the lesson we have to learn is how to combine this essential freedom and individuality with a good deal more efficiency, system and organization, in which points we are still behind both France and America.

"Never was the lesson more needed than now, when we are taking education in its true sense, and are beginning to see that all our present urgent problems come back to it as their basis and postulate. Thus the international problem, how to strengthen world-peace in the future, can have no hope of solution until the map of Europe is re-drawn on sound lines of nationality, but with guarantees for other factors, too, such as religious and racial minorities, and until the peoples of the world are ready to intervene actively in the future, every time that settlement is endangered.

"Certainly this requires that at least in the two peoples of the British and the United States, every intelligent man should have some appreciation of the danger and the consequent duty it imposes on him. How is this possible without a far more educated public?"

"Can we take off the baser sort of politician, the dark methods of the caucus, the secret funds and the sale of honors without weakening the practicability and the efficiency of the two-party system? Is it not manifest that a democracy that has to solve these problems must be an educated democracy?"

The editor of the Maple Leaf is strongly of the opinion that the point raised by Prof. Stewart and by the report quoted are of very great consequence, especially in countries like our own, and shows that steps are being taken by some American universities to meet the demands of women's organizations for enlightenment on modern social, economic and political problems. The object is to help women to vote intelligently.

Columbia University and Barnard College have announced a course of lectures to be given twice a week. They are designed primarily to meet the needs of women with some leisure who wish to prepare themselves for more intelligent citizenship. Some of the topics are: Existing conditions with regard to income, poverty, crime, disease; the social effects of modern industry; relations of capital and la-

bor, and labor unions; schemes of industrial democracy; after-the-war conditions affecting the family, position of women, population, international relations; political problems from the view of the voter, and the functioning of governmental machinery with particular reference to social problems; various programmes of social reform and radical change; trends of social and industrial evolution, etc.

There is no doubt that educational institutions can do a great deal to help men and women to vote intelligently by imparting information of the highest value.

PUBLIC OPINION

Where They Draw The Line. (Pittsburg Gazette-Times) It isn't true that men will do anything for money. Some won't work for it.

The Winter Wonders. (Calgary Herald)

After noting the garb in which young women go about in winter, one is constrained to wonder how that term, "weaker sex," ever came into existence.

Easily Seen Through. (Scientific American)

The purpose of those who talk about "freedom of the seas," is to break up that unity of feeling between us and our Allies, and particularly between the United States and Great Britain, which was, and ever will remain, the greatest asset of the late war.

Children By The Pound. (Concord Monitor)

"If parents sold their children by the pound as a farmer does his hogs, there would be fewer underweight children. It is ridiculous to say that a child takes after its parent and is thin because the latter is thin. Imagine a farmer saying that about his pigs! Children are not getting enough food." This is the opinion of Miss Marian Moseley, a welfare worker of Chicago. There is food for thought if not for children in what she says.

Walt Mason THE POET PHILOSOPHER

CONTENTMENT.

When sets the good old shining sun, thus winding up another day, if I have left some chore undone, I do not feel serene and gay. Beneath my feet I recline, and try to read some helpful tract, but in this old building of mine there bobs up one disturbing fact. I did not fix the kitchen roof, which lets in nineteen kinds of rain; and so contentment keeps aloof, and all my thoughts are tinged with pain. I cannot read "The Cloven Hoof," or other novels, good or flat; I did not fix the leaking roof, and I can only think of that. The almanac has jest and spoof, o'er which I ought to laugh; but I neglected that old roof, and conscience is a bitter gaff. When all my duties are performed according to the rules of Hoyle, my heart with ecstasy is warmed, the rich reward of honest toil. With duty done one can, in truth, the evening hours in peace employ, and I can read of Nick, the Sleuth, without a cloud upon my joy. There may be men who do not care what they have done or left undone, when from the festive easy chair they watch the setting of the sun. But peace won't camp upon my brow if I recall, at close of day, that I have failed to groom the cow, or give the old blue goose her hay. And I am glad I'm fashioned thus, though I may miss a lot of fun; I don't admire the careless cuss who reck's no hoot for tasks undone. —WALT MASON.

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Behave Yourself! "Don't be a bad actor," said Hubbie. "For you will find it to be true; That when you go hunting for Trouble Old Trouble goes hunting for you."

Charlie's Composition. "Who wrote this composition for you, Charles?" asked the Teacher suspiciously. "My—my—my father," hesitated Charles. "What?" demanded the Teacher. "All of it?" "N—n—o, man," replied Charles. "I helped him."

Touching. To touch you is to always try. He borrows money day and night; When I see him I have to sigh He surely is a touching sight.

Such a Langwidge! Though I may be a brainless gawk, Our English I can't place; I can't place; How can I give a man back talk, And say it to his face?

Ouch! Miss Gush had just been introduced to Uncle Lem Hicks, a farmer from up State, who was visiting his swell relatives in the city. "Oh, it must be perfectly wonderful to be a farmer and grow everything and everything!" giggled Miss Gush. "What is your favorite flower, Mr. Hicks?" "Caulliflower!" snorted Mr. Hicks, as he walked away.

The New Golden Rule. I'm afraid, oh, my brothers, And I fear it is true; That you try to do others As they try to do you.

Is That So? (Houston Post) Possibly the poorest way in the world for one to win for his judgment the confidence of Luke McLuke is to tell him that prohibition will prohibit.

Well, Well! We have no idea how tall she is but we know that Mrs. Will B. Shorter lives in Charlotte, N. C.

Read the Last Line Over Again! He went out hunting 't'other day, I speak of Mr. Abbott; And though he used a box of shells, He never missed a rabbit. —Simian Goobar.

Where's Nearest Glove Counter? We used to wonder just why a bar had to have a brass foot rail in front of it and we had to wait until prohibition hit us before we found out. The old brass foot rail steadied your arm, my boy, and enabled you to lap up "just one more" without wobbling. How do we know? Well, read this item from Women's Wear.

"A Chicago store recently increased its glove business by a simple mechanical device that has since been adopted by a well-known Philadelphia establishment. A brass rail was placed about six inches from the floor, running the full length of the glove counter. When a person tries on a pair of gloves the foot unconsciously rests on the brass rail, forming a brace, which steadies the arm and makes the fitting of gloves an easy matter."

Mercy! The Corn Fed came out with a rush. The sidewalk was covered with slush, She slipped in the slip. She did a flip-top— Have mercy! Don't question me? Hush! —Old Doc.

Murder! Lock the doors and windows, off your gun and load it, and then read this from a popular magazine: "Men who would not think of condoning theft or arson smile when they talk about prohibition."

Aw, Gwaw! Prize fighters do not all look alike, says Willie Woods, but there is a striking resemblance.

Names Is Names. Mrs. Fuller Trump lives in Springfield, Ohio.

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