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After all, the only menace to civilization is mankind.

Persons who take chances often find themselves short.

It isn't difficult to save daylight. The hold-up men don't care for it.

A big brain, like a big bank roll, is of little use unless put to use.

At times one can't tell which will get here first—prosperity or posterity.

The buyer is the one who demands C.O.D. now. And it stands for Come On Down.

What the nations get out of Russia will depend largely on when they get into Russia.

Not the size of the task, but the spirit shown in the task, is the measure of the man.

The man who never changes his opinion is the man who never enlarges his information.

Placing a tax on all the criticisms of the budget might raise all the tax the country needs.

Some girls are never uneasy about anybody spilling the beans, and some have small brothers.

If the prohibition officers get too particular a lot of doctors will have to go back to treating the sick.

Edison, having got a college degree, should take it apart and tell the world what it really is.

Perhaps we would have more great men if we had more half-wits to afford the necessary contrast.

The travelling man who brings orders out of Russia now might refer to it as bringing orders out of chaos.

One who dares to make public a list of "twelve greatest living women" has courage and poor judgment combined.

To make matters worse, the man who uses perfume is almost certain to be addicted to the expression, "as it were."

The great man's wife doubtless has moments when she wishes she could tell the public a thing or two about its idol.

At this season, the college graduate begins to regret that the course of study didn't include the art of making a living.

It must be nice to be rich and have nothing to do but tell reporters that most of our financial troubles are psychological.

Another inducement to go into the bucket shop business is that you don't have to make any investment in sand bags.

No doubt Germany has had a change of heart. When she looks at France she seems to reflect that armament is wicked.

Every once in a while you see a statesman who thinks he is a leader just because he makes noise enough to attract the curious.

Once upon a time there was a woman who had nothing to make her miserable; but she was, for she could never enjoy a good cry.

MINISTERS AND SMOKING.

Quite a flurry has been created in the Toronto Methodist Conference by the introduction of a resolution condemning the practice of smoking by college professors, probationers, and ministers. The matter was evidently brought up because of the fact that, while the probationers are required to take a pledge not to use the fragrant weed, many of the professors under whom they study, and many of the leading pastors, are themselves inveterate smokers. At any rate, there is a great division of opinion as to whether it is a wise thing or not to spend time on debating such a question in the conference, and it was only after a consideration of the matter in committee that it was decided to pass it on to a full session of the delegates.

Whatever may be the merits or demerits of the subject from the viewpoint of the ecclesiastics of the church, it is certain that such a discussion is not likely to increase the average man's estimation of the church. It may be a sad reflection of the church of the present day to say that most men regard it as too strict and narrow in its views, but it is nevertheless quite correct. This resolution, and the discussion which centred around it, will serve only to intensify that feeling, for the plain, ordinary man is rather tired of having the law laid down to him on matters of personal conduct which should be matters for individual decision, and although the resolution of the present conference relates only to men within the leadership of the church, it will seem to him like being driven in to deprive him of the use of his own judgment in matters of this kind.

It does seem a rather arbitrary action on the part of any body of men to make an effort to curtail the rights of others in a matter of this kind. Surely it cannot be said that the fact that a man enjoys the luxury of a pipe in his study or an evening is detrimental to his efficiency as a minister of the gospel. If that were true, then how is it that so many of the stalwarts of the church in Scotland were inveterate smokers, and on special occasions were often presented with smokers' outfits by their congregational admirers? The preaching and ministry of these men did not lose anything of its power because of the fact that they were smokers, and it is not likely that smoking would in any way lessen the effectiveness of the ministers of the present day. As a matter of fact, the average man would prefer a minister who did smoke. The large majority of men are themselves smokers, and they like to feel that they can find companionship over a pipe with the men who are their pastors. It is a fact that the preachers who are most successful are those who are men's ministers, and these are sadly few at the present time.

It may be said, of course, that smoking does not constitute one of the attributes of manhood, and that no man is a man simply because he smokes a pipe. That is an academic argument, and the man in the street is not familiar with the academic aspects of that subject. He sees that the majority of the churches of today are made up largely of women's organizations, and that the greater part of the pastor's time has to be spent in catering to the women. That may seem a strong statement, but it is an absolutely true one. Look over the roll of organizations of any church, and it will be found that at least ninety per cent. of them are women's organizations, and that being the case, they must have ninety per cent. of the minister's attention. This is, to some extent, due to the fact that our ministers, in many cases, have a tendency towards effeminacy. The men look upon the present day codes of the churches as too restrictive upon their personal judgment, and in this matter which has been under consideration in Toronto, they will find good grounds for their belief. The churches need ministers who are men's men, and the average man likes to see a minister who can sit down and enjoy a pipe with him as they talk over the matters which they have in common. The ministers who are successful in winning the interest of men are ministers who can do this, and that should be sufficient to dissuade any church body from enforcing regulations which would in any way hinder the freest fellowship between the pastors and the men of their congregations.

A NEW STAND ON THE EMBARGO. As time goes on, it becomes more and more apparent that, in spite of the assurances of the Hon. Manning Doherty and Hon. F. S. Tolmie, the British embargo on Canadian cattle is not going to be removed. This is very evident from the new stand which is being taken by the British government on the question. For nearly thirty years the embargo has been in operation, and it has been based on alleged disease amongst Canadian cattle. While it has never been definitely proven that there was the slightest justification for debarring them on this account, this excuse for keeping Canadian stock out of Great Britain has been allowed to stand, in spite of repeated protests by successive Canadian govern-

ments. Now the British government members who oppose the raising of the embargo ask if Canada would be satisfied if the question of disease were entirely eliminated, and the embargo based on other considerations.

It is quite safe to say that the Canadian people, and the farmers most of all, would not be willing to consider such a settlement of this highly controversial matter. In making such an offer, the British government owns up to the fact that the embargo has been enforced, not because of disease amongst Canadian cattle, but as a means of giving protection to the home breeders. Canada, however, wants more than an admission on the part of Great Britain that the cattle from this country are free from disease. The farmers of Canada need, and must have, a market for their store cattle, and their great hope was that the removal of the embargo would enable them to enter the British market on fair terms. They are not blind, however, to the fact that their strongest weapon of protest was the claim that the embargo was maintained, officially, on account of alleged disease amongst their cattle, and they will not easily give up this weapon while their fight for an entry into British markets is still unfinished.

Should Great Britain choose to maintain the embargo, not on the grounds of disease, but as a means of protecting her own live stock industry, those who are fighting to have it removed will have lost their great fighting point. They cannot very well attempt to dictate to the British government what its fiscal policy should be. Canada herself would not for a moment submit to dictation from Britain on that question of policy, and yet Great Britain has more cause to object to the protection in force in Canada than this country has to complain of the British protective tariffs. So, while Britain may be willing to admit that there is no justification for the charge that Canadian cattle are diseased, she is not likely, under present day economic conditions, and in the present state of her agricultural and live stock industry, to take off the embargo altogether, and it looks as if Canadian farmers will have to be satisfied with their present status in the British meat markets, and seek elsewhere to find new outlets for their surplus of live stock.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR

BY SAM HILL

New Version.

"What is your fortune, my pretty maid?" The woe of the flapper begs. "If you don't care for grammar, sir," she cooed, "my fortune is my legs."

Observations of Oldest Inhabitant. "I kin remember when girls 'banged' their hair instead of banging away at the men."

What Every Married Man Knows. "I says here that man is the only animal that sleeps on its back," remarked Mrs. Grouch. "Yes," growled her husband, "and when he does he begins to snore and then he kels a dig in the ribs, with the commango roll over on his side."

Short Poem.

We'll bet Mosquitoes Enjoy Their thin hose.

So That's Where She Came From. One form of broadcasting we never could stand is that done by a loud-mouthed woman who talks for the benefit of everybody in the street car. —Sam Hill, Cincinnati Enquirer. "Toledo street car patrons will be pleased to know that she has moved to Cincinnati.—Jack Warwick, in Toledo Blade.

Maybe Her Name Made Him Yell. (Marriage License in Houston (Texas) Post) Henderson Yell and Quillie Juanita Ornit.

Poor Listeners. Against all traffic cops He has an awful grudge. When he'd explain they growl: "Oh, tell it to the Judge."

Punishment To Fit Crime. "What punishment could be severe enough for a bigamist?" mused Billks. "Make him live with all his wives and their mothers," snapped Jinks.

Feel Questions. W. M. asks: "Is a chimney always sooted to its work?" It's not suited to it when it is sooted, that's a cinch.

Speaking of Quick Trips. (Lock Cor. Newark Advocate) R. C. Quick and family, of Union Station, spent Monday with Frank Quick and family.

Times Have Changed, Duster. "Do you remember when you used to run off to go swimming?" asks "Dusty" Miller, of Wilmington. The fellow who used to do that now are running away to see the girls in bathing suits.

Solid Wood. "When I see one of those bobbed-haired, painted flappers wearing big goggles and earrings that look like window weights I can't help but wonder whether she has any brains in her head at all," remarked Brown. "Just about as much as you would find in the head of a barrel," Black replied.

Watson Whaddya Make of This? (Whitley City Cor. McCrory County (Ky.) Record) Quite a few of our best citizens are taking an enforced vacation, due to

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

TRUST AND WAVER NOT.—Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.—Proverbs 3: 5.

The fact (they say) of their having broken a few of the "Ten Commandments."

Daily Sentence Sermon. There's a heap of difference between a stiff neck and a stiff upper lip.

Nothing To Be Savage About. Tell me, how does a savage get that way? For he must lead a placid sort of life.

Since he's no income tax on cars to dodge, Nor clothes nor hats to buy his sweet wife. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

A savage gets that way because his has, In strictest candor it must be confessed, No music, no, not even modern jazz, With which to soothe, you know, his savage breast. —Newark Advocate.

News of the Names Club. We could name several ball clubs that could use I. Hitt, of Washington, if he's willing to sign up. Armerag Simmonson and Vinyonous have just been married in Detroit.

Our Canadian Question And Answer Corner

Q.—What is Canada's area on the North American continent, and in comparison with that of the United States?

A.—Canada's area is estimated at 3,729,665 square miles, or 111,992 square miles larger than the United States and Alaska combined, of 3,617,673 square miles.

Q.—What is the strength of the Baptist denomination in Canada?

A.—The Baptist denomination in Canada includes 1,334 churches, 777 ministers and 8,965,995 members (1921).

An Independent Vote. Lindsay Daily Post. The Farmers' Sun finds fault with the nine members of the Progressive party who voted for the Fielding budget. They should rather be commended for their independence.

The day of slavish and blind allegiance to party is past, and it is a good thing for the country that such is the case. These nine Progressives (including Mr. Reed, the member for Frontenac) were just as sincere and honest in recording their votes as the other members who line up for their parties. That attitude of the Farmers' Sun is ill advised. The interests of the country as a whole come before the interests of any man or group.

Don't Blame Peter. Farmers' Sun, June 17th. The surplus of the Quebec Liquor Commission for the first year of its operations will amount to over \$5,500,000, it is understood, notwithstanding subscriptions to universities, grants to education and the redeeming of \$1,000,000 of the provincial debt. Could you blame Hon. Peter Smith if in an unguarded moment he cast longing glances at the Quebec system?

"Pigs Is Pigs." London Advertiser. Pigs that were alive in Chicago on May 16th are being served in London, England, hotels on May 26th. If pigs don't have a chance to see much of the world when they're living, they do quite a bit of travelling after they are dead.

A lift is always better than a pull-back, but some people don't seem to think so.

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