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Looks as if Lloyd George started his memoirs too soon.

A beautiful woman is just a set of good teeth with necessary accessories.

Caste in India is a matter of birth; over here it is a matter of cylinders.

A man may bow to the inevitable, but he is seldom courteous about it.

These fine October days would be great for walks, if anybody took them now.

Masculine conceit was invented when the first man saw his reflection just after shaving.

A man's success is not measured by the number who cheer him, but by the number who envy him.

Nothing else is so conducive to contentment as a contemplation of the other fellow's troubles.

The beginning of a perfect evening is a decision to let the supper dishes wait until morning.

An emergency is something which a person is likely to meet almost any place along the road.

The most annoying thing about a bad cold is its habit of making the victim describe his symptoms.

Nine parts of righteousness consist in an intimate relationship between one's nose and the grindstone.

There must be many movie fans who often wonder what a slowdown on a movie kiss would look like.

The greatest service that could be rendered the Christian peoples would be to convert them to Christianity.

Correct this sentence: "After ten years of married life the man kissed his wife's hand, and she survived the shock."

Experience is the only commodity that cannot be purchased these days for a dollar down and a dollar a week.

Some of your automobile tools are so seldom useful that the garage mechanic doesn't feel justified in keeping them.

That writer who says the moderns know little of eloquence has never heard a fluent driver commenting on a blowout.

The honeymoon draws toward a close when the young people come back to the neighborhood where their relatives live.

No matter who prevented the war in the Near East, we have an uneasy feeling that "postponed" would be a better word.

If a drunken car driver kills a little girl, that's an accident; if a sober Turk kills one, that's an international incident.

That fellow R. H. G. S. Boyd, who is working on a perpetual motion machine, has at least made a commendable initial showing.

J. C. Ross, former editor of the Farmer's Sun, says that the membership of the U.F.O. in Ontario has decreased fifty per cent. Little wonder that Premier Drury advocates a soundening-out policy.

GIVE HER CREDIT.

That Pennsylvania man who is seeking damages for injury to business and health for disappointment by his former fiancée apparently doesn't realize what he missed. If his affianced could do all that to him in courtship, what wouldn't she have done after marriage?

To the average man it will seem that she is entitled to credit for having declined to go ahead with a marriage that inferentially would have completed the wreckage so insidiously begun in the affianced stage—according to the complainant's petition. The details mentioned by the plaintiff in enumerating his injuries suggest that the engagement was really a battle against sure destruction. In recounting his losses, he should, in fairness to the defendant, count in, as credits, the losses that he might have sustained had his courtship gone through to the usual ending.

THE WORLD UNIVERSITY.

It once was the exceptional thing for boys and girls to go to college at all. At the present time, they not only go to school at home in great numbers but go across the seas to the universities of other countries. Scholarships are to-day provided for Canadian and American students in France and England, while many students from the continent are enrolled in American colleges. The Rhodes scholarship plan has drawn large numbers of exceptionally clever young men to England from every corner of the British Empire.

It is difficult to find a university or college in the dominion which has not its quota of Japanese or Chinese students, as well as those from other distant countries. A less pronounced meeting of east and west, but an important one also, is the attendance at Queen's university of students from Bermuda, Jamaica and other British possessions in the western hemisphere.

The effect of this varied attendance on all members of a school is not to be estimated. The result must inevitably be a unifying of the ideals and traditions of all the peoples of the earth. Under such circumstances war must eventually become an impossibility, for two countries with the same point of view cannot fight each other.

SAVING HUMAN LIVES.

The death rate in registration areas of the United States last year dropped from 13.1 to 11.7 per 1,000 of population. In other words, seven lives in each 5,000 in the areas where records are kept were saved. If the decrease in deaths is general throughout nonregistration areas the difference between 1920 and 1921 would be approximately 150,000.

Comparison with previous years is interesting. In 1900 the death rate was 17.6 per 1,000 of population and there was a gradual reduction until 1909 when the rate was 14.4. A new record was made in 1914 and 1915 when the rate was 13.6 but in the two following years it went up again to 14 and 14.3. In 1918, the year so many lives were lost because of influenza, the rate was 18.1 deaths per 1,000 population.

Statistics make dry reading but these live when the rate per thousand is multiplied by 110,000 to give the number of deaths they represent. The remarkable improvement then becomes impressive.

Much credit for the decreased death rate must be given the science of health engineering, which seeks to prevent rather than cure diseases. Each community has its health authorities, who are charged with safeguarding the lives of residents. Protecting the water supply from contamination, destroying mosquitoes and flies, and enforcing quarantines are some of the duties of these authorities, and their work is undoubtedly reflected in mortality statistics.

Another cause of the improved condition is a growing appreciation of the value of health and respect for things that make it possible. In recent years people have begun to realize the importance of keeping themselves fit. Physical culture schools and publications, systems of exercising and dieting, admission of weight to the subjects available for polite conversation—these are signs of the times. There will never come a time when there will be no deaths, but humanity is learning to live the full span of years permitted by nature.

THE "FALL" OF MAN.

A Babylonian version of the "Fall of Man" has been discovered on tablets written in the Sumerian language, and unearthed at the site of the temple of Nippur by the fourth expedition of the University of Pennsylvania. The translation has been made by Dr. Edward Chiera, assistant professor of Assyriology of the University of Pennsylvania, and he places the date of the tablet at 2,100 or 2,200 B.C., or more than 1,000 years before the Hebrew version was written. The Sumerian is believed to be the earliest language of the country, and with the Egyptian to be the earliest written language. Its progress from picture-writing to the use of an alphabet having been clearly traced. The interesting part of the new discovery is its apparent confirmation

of the Hebrew story of the garden of Eden, or at all events the idea expressed in the story; and interest now centres on the question as to whether it originated with the Babylonians or with the Hebrews. The same question exists regarding the story of creation, the Babylonians attributing man's knowledge and rational state to his having been formed "from the earth mixed with the blood of a god," whereas in the Hebrew he was formed from the earth and God "breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul."

Dr. Chiera gives priority to the Babylonian account, for Babylonian civilization existed long before the Hebrew tribe reached anything like an organized state, according to the chronology of the Bible, which places particular emphasis upon the accuracy of the historical narratives. But it was the spirituality of the Hebrew writers that placed the Bible far above the religious writings of other countries, and that makes it to-day the highest existing work on theology.

THE HARD-SHELL HABIT.

"Too frequently," said the president of a large industrial establishment in a recent interview, "I have witnessed business men making wrong decisions that are based on antiquated facts." He followed up his statement by asserting that the increase in sales made by any business corporation was usually due to some deviation from normal custom, or to some departure from habit based on facts accepted, in all probability, so long ago that they have become out-of-date.

This habit does not confine itself to business firms. Too many people base their decisions on opinions formed and held long after the basis for their existence has become obsolete. These hard-shelled conservatives wonder why success always passes them by, when those whom they consider rash and even unbalanced grow increasingly prosperous.

The company president's remedy for this weakness is simple. It consists merely in getting into touch with people. Once a month it is his custom to set out in his roadster for some nearby destination, with the ostensible purpose of getting into conversation with chance people along the way. He finds out what a hotel owner, who also carries the agency for Ford cars, thinks about the surrounding market for farm equipment. He falls into conversation with two druggists who can tell him of the demand for retail materials. Even the man at the gas station can tell him much of the automobile situation in his county.

The way to keep out of the rut is to keep in touch with live men and women, to get their point of view, and to keep alive the growing point of opinion.

A FRESH CHAPTER.

A fresh chapter has been written in the history of a nation's tragedy. The Turk has swept back into Europe, and in his wake he murder, misery and mutilation. Distinct from the international complications, and independent of political diplomacy, there comes a swift and simple cry to the humanity of the world. It is the cry of Armenia. It has sounded before, through long years of horror. It sounds now, with the voice of little children, more agonized, more desperate, than ever before.

The facts are these. In 1915, the Turk began the systematic murder of a million Armenians. He determined to murder them because they were Christians—the oldest Christian nation in the world—and a Christian who will not renounce his faith is an enemy of the Turk. The Turk succeeded. He murdered scientifically, from long practice. His Armenian victims were shot in squads, and thrown into a common burying pit. For a month, the bodies of dead Armenians floated down the Euphrates to the Persian Gulf. They were locked in wooden buildings and burned. And so the million were murdered.

Peace has come to the ravaged plains of France and Belgium, but not to Asia Minor. The burning hell of Smyrna, whose tale is not yet fully told, is merely one incident in a new series of murder, madness, rape and horror. Armenia's men are murdered, and many of her women. But there are two hundred and fifty thousand little orphans, and many widows. A cable received recently from a relief worker in Constantinople glimpses their plight. In part, it reads as follows:—"Many babies are being delivered on the planks of the wharf, where a constant stream of panicked humanity surges past laboring mothers. Others are being born beside barricades where hundreds of humans are fighting desperately to pass. Others are born alongside gunblanks of departing ships. The quay is still lined with thousands of terrified people, some of whom have been there since September 13th."

And of those mothers and these babes, and the thousands upon thousands of orphaned children, if they escape, what then? What is their hope? It is their cry which comes now to the humanity of the world. Great Britain is answering through

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

SHALL WANT NO GOOD THING:—For the Lord God is a sun and a shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.—Psalm 84:11.

The Lord Mayor's Fund, and is to care for twenty thousand hopeless Armenian children. Canada has its opportunity in the Armenian Relief Fund of Canada, whose headquarters are in Toronto. Co-operating with the Lord Mayor's Fund, Canada should take care of at least two thousand children of Armenia. Their only cry is for a chance to escape from horror; a chance to live. Their only hope is you, and it is to your ears, as you read these facts, that their cry comes from the crowded wharf at Constantinople, and from the wretchedness of Armenia's blood-soaked villages, and from the shores of the Bosphorus where thousands of these distressed children are floating about in boats.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR

BY SAM HILL

She's No Flagger.
Dame Nature now is at her best,
Her autumn colors I adore,
Because I know that she, at least,
Did not get them at a drugstore.

Observations of Oldest Inhabitant.
I kin remember when throwing in
the clutch meant saying: "Get up,
Betsey."

Neighbor's Idea of Thrift.
"Are they stingy?"
"I should say they are. They never
buy a thing they can't afford."

We Can't Think of a Good Head For This One.
(Worley Cor. McCreary County Record)
Oble Stout and Floyd Hollers left
Friday for West Virginia.

Dad This Pest!
He'll never listen to
My troubles, but, gee, whiz!
It's funny how he likes
To tell me all of his.

Fool Questions.
F. U. L. asks: "Does a surgeon ever
perform a major operation on a miner?"
We suppose he does, but he never cuts
out his strikes, we have noticed.

Can't Be Measured.
"With an apparatus invented by a
Swedish scientist, a person's will
power can be measured," remarked
Mrs. Grouch, looking up from her paper.

This Sounds Catty, Doesn't It?
Personal ad. in Warren (Ohio) Tribune.
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is known and better return to
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avoid arrest.

New One on Him.
Highbrow: "I just have been reading
Jonathan Swift's 'Tale of a Tub.'"
Lowbrow: "First time I ever knew
a tub had a tail."

Cruelties.
The tender-hearted Dolly Dream
Said: "Have a heart, I beg;
Oh, mother, do not whip that cream,
And please don't beat that egg."
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Oh, mother, dear, withhold your
hand."
Cried gentle Sarah Glugg;
"The sight is more than I can stand,
Pray do not beat that rug!"
—Akron Times.

"Come down from off that turning
bar."
Called little Johnnie Spratt;
"My tender conscience it will mar-
To see you skin the cat!"
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

From up there on the wooden stage
The speaker I would pull
Because it puts me in a rage
To see him "shoot the bull!"
—Youngstown Telegram.

"Stop it, speaker, stop it now,
"My joy you do extinguish,
"In sorrow my head I bow."
"To see you murder English."
—Warren (Ohio) Tribune.

Daily Sentence Sermons.
It is better to know What's What
than to be in Who's Who.

News of the Names Club.
T. N. T. says Mr. and Mrs. H. Wind,
of St. Louis, who have a new son,
will have to raise the wind in order
to raise the Wind. We suppose they
are blowing about what a fine baby
he is, too.

Our Canadian Question And Answer Corner

Q.—Which are the largest manufacturers in the British Empire of agricultural implements?
A.—The Massey-Harris Co. are the largest manufacturers of agricultural implements in the Empire.

Q.—What countries are represented on the new Canadian Coat of Arms?
A.—The new Canadian Coat of Arms include the arms of England, Scotland and Ireland and France with the mark of a sprig of maple on a silver field of each to mark them as Canadian.

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