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Immodesty consists in being conscious of it.

The best argument against strong drink is weak men.

Some exercise systems are expensive, but almost anybody can buy a used car.

Cain denied being his brother's keeper. But then, Abel had no oil districts.

Hints to husbands: Every day and every way you should pet 'er and pet 'er.

Even the professional loafer can't avoid all effort. He has to light his own cigarettes.

In stressing its inability to pay, Germany apparently overlooks its inner-ability.

So live, girls, that you will be given away by your dad and not by your catty friends.

A child's character is made in the first four years. Let's hope that isn't true of a peace.

There is something pathetic, also, about a face all furrowed and wrinkled with reducing.

Subsidy: A method of bribing somebody to take an unprofitable business off our hands.

The real problem in the cities will be faced when there are no places left to build garages.

The man who goes out to hit the high spots should be sure that his tires are puncture-proof.

Verbal endurance tests would be shorter in domestic life if only the wife insisted on having the last word.

Spanking week for children is suggested, but if all reports are true it ought to include a lot of parents.

Grand opera by radio is enjoyable, except that you miss the musical chap in the next seat who keeps time with his foot.

And so we may expect high prices for ten years. Well, that just gives us that much more time to expect low prices.

You can say one thing for the nations that are not members of the League to enforce peace. They are not fighting.

"Clay makes new complexion." If that is a common property of soil, little Bobby should develop into a prize beauty.

Correct this sentence: "I am really very fond of new babies," said the old bachelor, "and I should like to hold it if I may."

In these days of sex-equality, the patriotic husband will regret as war approaches that he has but one wife to give to his country.

One of the standing jokes of many cities, including Kingston, is the by-law that requires that sidewalks be kept clear of snow and ice.

The critic who says mothers should stop dressing like their daughters probably means that daughters should stop dressing like their mothers.

FOR THE NEW COUNCIL.

When the City Council of 1923 is called together and gets down to the work of the year, there is one little matter which might be brought before the attention of the city fathers, namely, that the Consolidated by-laws of the City of Kingston have not been printed in their entirety since the years 1907, fifteen years ago, and that the only record of by-laws passed since that time is to be found in the minutes of the council meetings.

If it be not necessary, then it is certainly desirable that a complete printed record of these be made. There are a great number of by-laws introduced, passed, amended and rescinded in fifteen years and a volume that would show the present municipal regulations for Kingston in their entirety is needed.

Here is one little item for the attention of the new city council.

PAST AND PRESENT.

The charge has been made that this is a generation lacking in supermen. No Shakespeare, no Goethe, no Keats, no Michael Angelo has appeared to make the present age do down in history as golden. This is a sordid age of commercialism. There is this to be said in view of such a criticism: no contemporary generation acceded the warm approval to these men that the following centuries have. Their fame has grown with the years; as the appreciation of their art has grown. There is the possibility that another age will recognize genius in the twentieth century which men today are too near to acknowledge.

Moreover, this criticism is purely a literary one. What may be said in future generations of such men as Thomas Edison, the Wright brothers, Alexander Graham Bell, Marconi and an increasing number of others? Though their gift has not been literary, they have opened the door to fine music, commercial progress, and a knowledge of what the world is doing to countless thousands. They have helped to bring to pass what Shakespeare could only dream of when he made Puck say: "I'll put a girdle round about the earth in forty minutes."

WHAT ONE NATION DID.

Venezuela is to the average mortal just the pink part of the northeast corner of South America. Folk down there are decidedly like folk up this way, however, and they have just put over something really worth talking about. The celebration of the Venezuelan national holiday on Dec. 19th calls to to mind.

Venezuela will start the New Year not only debt free, but with a $4.-000,000 surplus. There's an example that every member of the world's family of nations ought to take to heart. It was only about ten years ago that all sorts of harsh things were said about Venezuela in financial circles. But she had several advantages during the great war: She took little part, suffered nothing and gained much.

But granted all that, it wasn't an easy row the little country has had to hoe, and President Gomez has had his hands full trying to keep factional policies out of the way. Most foreign capalistic enterprises were banished. With their own money, their own labor, their own brains, the Venezuelans have shown that it is possible to run things right even in a South American republic. And they are entitled to be very happy and gratified indeed on their national holiday.

THE RADIO LECTURER.

Life seems to be capable of providing new sensations as they are needed for even the most astute individuals. The latest diversion is broadcasting on the wireless. "To err used to be human," says Christopher Morley; "now it is international."

A writer in a recent magazine tells of his sensations when broadcasting a report of an interview with a well-known man. His description of the contrast betwen ordinary lecturing and the process of broadcasting to an audience from all over the world is remarkable from the very uniqueness of its theme, and is humorous as well. "Not a hand, not a laugh. Bad enough, this; but what overwhelmed me with horror was the spectacle I clearly beheld. Night! Illimitable black mountains, alive with people! All hating me! From a sickening altitude I gazed down upon them." The writer concludes that the process of "listening in" is yet novel enough to absolve entertainers from severe literary criticism.

The time is not far off, however, when the glare of public censure or the light of its approval will shine as relentlessly upon the radio broadcaster as upon the author of books and the writer of verse. The fact that his production will go around the world should be an incentive for the highest effort toward perfection It is a certainty that the increased use of the wireless will mean a corresponding development toward perfection of the art of public speaking.

BRAKES BETTER THAN HORNS.

A current joke represents an automobile speeder who had run down a skyscraper building saying with his dying breath: "I blew my horn."

Having chuckled over the whimsy, consider it in the light of daily observations. What is the function of the automobile horn? What does the average driver understand its function to be? Up to a certain point probably all persons would agree on the answers. The horn is intended to give warning of the approach of a car. It is to attract the attention of those in the path of the on-coming vehicle and cause them to look to their safety.

But it is not a command to them to get out of the way, though that is what many drivers regard it, if their actions are fair indications of their thought. If they get into trouble through insistence on going forward when they should have stopped, they strive to exculpate themselves by protesting: "I blew my horn."

The driver who does not respect the equal right of others with himself to use of the highways is not fit to have a license to operate a motor vehicle. Sounding the horn when use of the brakes is called for should be grounds for forfeiture of the license.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR
BY SAM HILL

Crowd That Out.

It's nice to have a roomy home,
But remember this, old scout,
You'll find that sorrow will move in
If there is ever room for doubt.

Observations of Oldest Inhabitant.

A law-abiding citizen these days is one who never has been arrested for speeding nor had his cellar raided by the dry agents—and there are not many of them.

Page Volstead.

Mrs. Hayrick—Hiram, it says here that tomatoes ripen best under the light of the moon.

Hiram—Wall, Maria, I kin believe that. I've seen plenty 'a fellers get ripe on moonshine since the country went dry, so why shouldn't termatters do the same.

Left Huff in a Huff, Eh?

(Divorce note in Houston Post)
Mattie Huff vs. Walter C. Huff, divorce granted.

No Joke.

I wish that gabby gink could learn
That he would be less of a bore
If he would give his tongue a rest
And work his brain a little more.
—Sam Hill.

I wish that kicking bird could learn
That he would be less of a bore
If he would give his feet a rest
And use his head a little more.
—Adam Breede.

Located.

Blinks—Where can you find the truth these days?

Jinks—About half way between how fast he tells the Judge his car can go and how fast he tells his friends it can go.

Fool Questions.

C. B. U. asks: "Could you say a man who desired to be an aviator was a man of high ambitions?" No doubt, but we guess at that he needs to be careful about taking a drop too much, the same as any one else.

They're So Hard To Keep.

Our cook left in a hurry, she,
Poor thing, has gone up higher;
You see she used coal oil
To start the kitchen fire.

Gems From Guide Book to Success.

If you entertain the thought that you "haven't a chance," you are blocking your own pathway to progress. It costs no more to believe that you can cut your way through to victory, and you can if you have the "right stuff" in you.

—J. E. F.

But It's Last Place You Look For Him.

"Dusty" Miller explains that an "Enemy is one upon whom all the blame for your failure can be placed." And you can always get a good look at him by gazing into the mirror.

Would Save a Lot of Trouble.

(Item in Lackawanna (N. Y.) Journal)
A little excitement was caused on Saturday afternoon on account of the inability of the local fire company to locate an alarm call. The fire was extinguished while firemen were speeding around town.

We suggest that hereafter when they have a fire up there they take it direct to the engine house and have it put out. That's no way to waste the firemen's time. If Mohammed can't go to the mountain by all means take the mountain to him.

Daily Sentence Sermon.

The man who always is shooting off his mouth is bound to wound a friend.

News of the Names Club.

We don't know who hit him, but I. C. Starrs lives in Bismarck, N. D.

A. Vaunt and A. Tank are reported from Detroit. You say something.

Signs of Christmas.

Sunday school attendance is growing by leaps and bounds.

Burial of Gerald Muirhead.

The funeral of the late Gerald Muirhead, took place from 45 Clergy street to Cataraqui cemetery at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Rev. Dr. R. H. Bell officiated, and there was a large attendance of relatives and friends of the deceased. The casket was banked with beautiful flowers, expressing the esteem and warm regard in which the deceased was held. The pall bearers were H. Routley, D. Chown, H. Chown, P. H. Chown, W. Muirhead and Mr. Johnston.

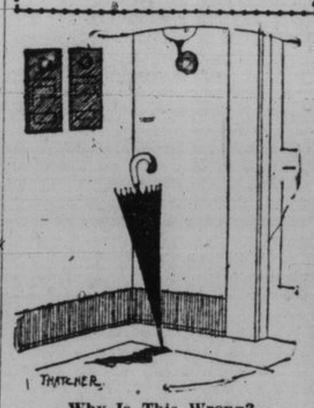
James Shaw, another pioneer farmer of Drummond township, passed away on Tuesday in his eighty-third year.

Provincial Police Officer Smythe, on his way to make a liquor raid, died in an auto near Bridgeburg.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT: —Love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.—Gal. 5: 22, 23.

BLUNDERS



Why Is This Wrong?

The answer will be found among to-day's want ads.

(What "Blunder" do you suggest?)

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JAMES H. SEXTON INSPECTOR.

Appointed to Charge of Schools of West Middlesex.

James H. Sexton, principal of Strathroy Collegiate Institute has been appointed school inspector of West Middlesex. Mr. Sexton was practically the unanimous choice. He succeeds H. D. Johnson, who resigned.

Mr. Sexton was born at Elgin, county of Leeds, where he received his earlier education. When he left Elgin he went to Brockville Collegiate and later entering Queen's University, where he was gold medalist in biology and natural science. He then taught in Kingston and Ingersoll collegiates and the Appin high school. In the winter of 1914 he moved to Strathroy to fill the position of principal.

George Halcrow, M.P.P., Hamilton, insists, despite the denial of Premier Drury that Fred Bancroft was barred from appointment because he favored the radials.

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