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INVESTMENT "PROSPECTS."
Thousands of men and women
throughout this country from time
to time receive through the mails li-
terature asking them to buy certain
articles, to subscribe to funds or in-
vest in securities. Their names are
secured through canvasses made by
men and women who make it a busi-
ness to prepare in each community
lists of persons who are "good pros-
pects" for this sort of thing. These
lists are known by those who employ
them as "zucker lists," and some-
times prove so because persons ad-
dressed "fall for" the propositions
contained in the alluring and flatter-
ing literature sent them.

Just at this season of the year
when semi-annual dividends are paid
and holiday gratuities are distrib-
uted, the mails are filled with pros-
pectuses of every imaginable kind, and,
money in hand, temptation is great.
But one thing is certain: money in
hand is worth more than the article
or securities offered, else money
would not be sought. No matter how
plausible the explanation why arti-
cles are offered so cheaply, or money
is needed in promotion projects, the
fact remains that the price asked ex-
ceeds the value of the articles or sa-
curity offered.

If this were not so, sellers would
employ the advertising columns of
newspapers or in other open,
straightforward ways lay their pro-
positions before all the people.

NEWSPAPER EDITING.
The sort of newspaper that would
be published if everybody, edited if
it would be something wonderful, but
nothing that anybody would sub-
scribe for. The newspaper business
is perhaps the most competitive of
any in existence. People who make
up newspapers must have the mass
of the people in mind every moment.
No newspaper can live by catering to
a chosen few.

There is not in any community
enough business to support a large
newspaper designed especially for
what are slangily called the high-
brows. The high-brows are a vague
class, but are commonly supposed to
be the type of citizens who take no
interest in any subject except one
concerning things that would be dis-
cussed in a fine arts convention or a
symposium of the higher clergy. No
daily newspaper made to fit a client-
ele of intellectuals or near intellec-
tuals could subsist on what the in-
tellectuals would be willing to pay.

A new author made himself un-
popular some time ago by saying
that as far as he had observed most
of the criticisms of his book had
come from that class of readers who
never buy books, but are keen for
borrowing them and picking them to
pieces. It might be said of some of
those who are severest in their con-
demnation of the daily press that
they do not have to pay its bills nor
do they contribute greatly to its
support.

TOO MUCH PATERNALISM.
In an address before Simcoe Coun-
ty Educational Association, Dr. John
Waugh raised a question that has a
wider bearing than he gave to it at
the time. The school child of to-day,
the chief inspector said, has avail-
able advantages such as were un-
dreamed of a generation ago and he
asked if the child of the present,
without the incessant urge of poverty,
has not too easy a time and if this
fact of incentive and of compul-
sory self-reliance does not offset in a
measure the value of the easy facil-
ities given for securing an educa-
tion.

Speaking of this question, the
Farmers' Sun says that one would
scarcely care to go back to condi-
tions such as existed in all stages of
life at the time when Dr. Waugh
was himself a public school pup.
But the discipline of poverty, with
no charitable funds for the relief of
the same, certainly had its advan-
tages. Industry, frugality, self-denial
and other great virtues were
developed in pupils whom stern ne-
cessity compelled to make every
hour at school count. Self-reliance,
independence of character and re-
sources were developed in the elders
when all were poor and when there
were no minimum wage boards, un-
employment doles or other organ-
ized, wholesale benevolences.

As has been said, no one would de-
sire to see a return to conditions
such as existed even fifty years ago
and still less to such as the pioneers
of what is now Old Ontario endured.
But it is at least an open question
if the swing is not too much in the
other direction, to-day—if we are
not creating a system under which
many are being taught to look to the
state for that which they should do
for themselves, if we are not making
things so easy that industry and
thrift are discouraged and the spirit
of self-help weakened.

SALVATION ARMY PAY.
Cornets and tamborines, trom-
bones and drums and voices of the
Salvation Army will continue mak-
ing music and the gentle, earnest
workers will continue their rounds
to the homes of sorrow and sickness,
despite what to ordinary mortals
would seem justification for discou-
agement if not a strike. Some time

ago it was announced that the pay
of the officers in Canada was to be
reduced \$1 each a week if single or
\$2 a week if married. During the
war their salaries were increased to
help meet the advancing costs of
living; now that prices are declin-
ing, these faithful workers are being
obliged to revert to their old time
standards of pay.

The lowest grade in the army is
that of cadet, who receives only
board and lodging for his work. A
single woman who is a lieutenant re-
ceives \$11 and a single man \$12 a
week. If a woman is married she
forfeits her pay, and a man is not
permitted to marry until he is above
the rank of lieutenant. The rate of
pay is increased about \$1 a week for
each grade advanced and furnished
quarters are provided for all officers.
After an officer has served seven
years as a captain he is eligible for
appointment as an ensign. He re-
ceives fifty cents more in this grade
and must spend the first four weeks'
increase for silver insignia which he
is then entitled to wear.

The maxim that a worker receives
what he produces, however, holds
good for the Salvation Army. It is
the mission of its members to pro-
duce human happiness, to relieve
distress and to teach simple good-
ness, and their reward is not the
pay they receive but the joy of per-
forming their mission. The major-
ity of workers are not recruits, but
sons and daughters of Salvation
Army people who have learned that
service to other is the path to cor-
tentment.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR
BY SAM HILL

Not a Boost For the Water Wagon.
The rainy weather gets my goat.
Wet days I just despise;
That is one case, I will admit,
Where I'm strong for the drys.

Observations of Oldest Inhabitant.
Styles in hats change so fast these
days the ladies no longer bother
using hatspins to hold 'em because
they have to take 'em off before they
get a chance to get them anchored.

Now Left To Their Fate.
Blinks—they used to say the Lord
took care of fools and drunks.
Jinks—that was before fools and
drunks began to drive motor cars.

Things We Always Have Wanted to Know.
Where do ladies who smoke scratch
their matches?

Gems From Guide Book to Success.
The phantom Fear on mischief bent.
Into the house of wisdom went,
When none his works would enter-
tain.
Abjectly Fear crept out again.
—J. E. F.

Mean Brute.
"Cancer must come from talking
too much," remarked Mr. Grouch.
"Why so?" asked his wife.
"Well, doctors declare it is twice as
common in women as in men," he re-
plied.

What Prohibition Has Done.
It used to be easy to drink too
much.
Now it is hard to get much to
drink.

**Huh! Eatin' Quail in Ohio Is Forbid-
den by Law.**
(Marriage License in Pittsburg Ga-
zette.—Times)
John O. Quail—West View.
Frances L. Eaton—Bellevue.

Foolishness.
"A saw has teeth."
"Said Mister Drake;
"But I am sure
They never ache."

**"A stalk of corn
Has ears," said Bing.
"But I know it
Can't hear a thing."**

Pool Questions.
F. D. S. asks: "Why is it that people
are so slow picking up hints when
you drop them?" We've often won-
dered about that ourselves.

That's Easier To Do.
She—Can you tell fortunes with
cards?
He—No, but I lost one at them.

The Modest Man at His Best.
No matter how modest a man may
think he is he is absolutely convinced
the woman who gets him will draw
the biggest prize in the matrimonial
lottery.—Sam Hill in Cincinnati En-
quirer.

A man may be modest, as modest
as can be, the proudest man of the
earth, but he wants no mistake on
the part of his girl, she must ap-
praise him at his full worth; she
must believe him the greatest man in
the world, a regular hero, as it were;
indeed she must be mindful of the
great honor he confers by bestowing
his name upon her.—Tom Denning.

Daily Sentence Sermon.
They may speak well of the dead,
but never of a dead one.

News of the Names Club.
Lotta Point, of Cambridge, informs
us while she has that kind of a name
she uses very little of it.
Otto Schute, of Louisville, is a gun-
smith. All right, say it.

At the final meeting of Galt City
Council all the civic departments
showed surpluses to the credit. The
fire loss was reported as \$5,600 or
42 1/2 cents per capita.

"No foreign entanglements" is the
verdict given President Harding by
Republican leaders relative to the
president's plans to settle European
economic and financial troubles.

During a plague in Norway, out
of two million people, but three
hundred thousand survived.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

HOW TO TRUST.—Trust
in the Lord with all thine
heart; and lean not unto thine own
understanding. In all thy ways ac-
knowledge him, and he shall direct
thy paths.—Prov. 3: 5, 6.

BLUNDERS



**Is this lady feeding her canary
properly?**
The answer will be found among
to-day's want ads.
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GANANOQUE

Dec. 19.—Miss Maynie Brennan,
Miss Rebecca Calow, Miss Joe Ford,
Miss Hayward, Miss Annie Shields,
Mrs. Stanley Shields, Mrs. F. H.
Lutz and Miss Kate McCarney were
among those who spent the day in
Kingston.

The hockey club composed largely
of pupils of the high school, is giv-
ing a dance in the Canoe Club Fri-
day evening next in honor of Miss
Leggett, who has accepted a posi-
tion on the staff of the London col-
legiate.

Dr. Gordon, who has been practis-
ing here for the past couple of
years, is moving to Smith's Falls.

One of the officials of the Gan-
anoque Golf and Country Club, had
a letter to-day from Nicol Thomp-
son, Hamilton, advising that he and
his brother Frank had scheduled a
day next July to play an exhibition
match at Gananoque on the Gan-
anoque Links. This will take place
on the formal opening of the new
greens, probably around the 12th or
13th July.

The details of the match have not
been arranged, but it is expected that
Frank Thompson and L. S. Barr,
manager of the Bank of Toronto
here, will oppose the two Pros. Nicol
Thompson, and Wyman Mullin, the
Gananoque pro.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Byers will
spend the holiday season in New
York city, and will leave on Thurs-
day next, joining Mr. and Mrs.
James Byers and Betty at Toronto.
Miss Rhoda Byers is already in New
York studying music.

Miss Helen Vase, Miss Marie Zil-
tejohn, and Frank Brown are home
from Ottawa normal school for the
holidays.

On Thursday afternoon, Father
Kehoe will give the pupils of the
Catholic schools a banquet in the
Lycium. Mrs. Lutz will supervise,
and be assisted by the ladies of the
congregation.

The Badminton Club is growing in
popularity, several married ladies
having joined within the past few
days.

**Our Canadian Question
And Answer Corner**

Q.—How many visits did Jacques
Cartier make to Canada, and when?
A.—Jacques Cartier paid three
visits to Canada, in 1534, his first
landing on Canadian soil; in 1535
when he reached the site of Mont-
real and in 1540.

Q.—What has been the growth of
the British Empire in a century?
A.—The area of the British Em-
pire has grown, in a century, from
two million to nearly thirteen mil-
lion square miles, equal to one-
quarter of the land surface of the
globe. Of this area, the British
isles contain only 100,000 square
miles, or less than half the size of
the province of Ontario.

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Tom Smith's

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and
Christmas Stockings**
All sizes. All prices.
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George Field, Toronto feather-
weight, defeated Roy Chisholm,
maritime featherweight champion,
in ten rounds at Toronto Tuesday
night.

A ship was found riding the Gulf
Stream with all sail set but minus
the crew, a despatch from West
Palm, Florida, says.

BIBBY'S

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A Man's Store**

BUYING MADE EASY
AT

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BIBBY'S
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It is worth while shop-
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Dolls, full jointed.	Plush Animals.	Games of all kinds.
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Dolls Carriages.	Electric Trains.	Drums.
Dolls Dresses.	Sleighs.	Automobiles.
Dolls Furniture.	Paints.	Kiddie Kars.
Story Books.	Picture and Building Blocks.	Mouth Organs.
Tree Decorations.	Meccano and Erector Sets.	Mechanical Toys by the thousand.
Dishes and Tea Sets.		
Kindergarten Sets.		
Teddy Bears.		

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Your Christmas Choice

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Travelling Rolls.

Shaving Sets.

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Thermos Bottles and Kits.

GIFTS FOR NURSES

Dr. Chown's Drug Store
185 Princess Street. Phone 545

Survivors from the tug Reliance were landed at Agaw Bay and are going over land to the Soo.

Komal doesn't need to rattle the
sabre so long as he can rattle the
Allies.

When the small boy starts early
for the pantry it isn't to avoid the
jam.

When "money talks" there are lots
of people who see cents in what it
says.

Only five more days until we get
our annual contribution of bedroom
slippers.

The only real difference is that
one is called a subsidy and the other
a tariff.

The rain falls on the just because
the unjust has carried off his um-
brella.

Correct this sentence: "Thirty days
for reckless driving." It doesn't need
correction.

In due time we shall wish a Merry
Christmas to everybody except those
who call it Xmas.

The best time to buy an umbrella
is when it is dry, as they always go
up when it rains.

Be patient with the merchants and
clerks at Christmas time and don't
do your shopping surly.

A doctor's wife should be happy.
He will listen patiently to a descrip-
tion of her symptoms.

The cars have distinctive names,
but pedestrians are listed under the
general head of "traffic."

The war wasn't entirely useless. It
taught a lot of persons of noble lineage
to learn their living.

The Germans really are superior.
They are the first to dodge, their
debits by making more money.

A Christmas goose: the turkey
that thought he was safe because he
escaped death at Thanksgiving time.

"What's honor?" asked Jones.
"That's easy. Any woman who
sits behind another woman can tell
what's on her in two minutes."

It always works that way. And
you will notice that William fre-
quently leaves home now that he is
married.

Lives of great men all remind us
We can do great stunts as well,
And departing leave behind us
Anecdotes we didn't tell.

That chap who says women may be
expected to make greater strides in
the future hasn't noticed the new
skirts.

Another sad little failure is the
husband's effort not to appear in-
terested when his wife retails the lat-
est scandal in their set.

December Twentieth,
Bright and gay,
Five days more
And Christmas Day.

That feminine criminal who saved
the bars without making a noise
must have found them about as soft
as the average jury.

Any successful new party must be
formed of 4 per cent. discontent, 7
per cent. idea and 89 per cent. cam-
paign contributions.