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A bigot is never a big lit.

It's got so now that a position often pays less than a job.

The income tax bank is a triumph of language over expression.

Some complexions are good examples of decorative enamelling.

Persons who talk much are apt to get fiction mixed with facts.

The flapper's rapid disappearance is explained by her fast appearance.

We no longer have mercenary troops. But we still have mercenary patriots.

The height of some people's ambition is to succeed in borrowing money.

The trouble with many persons is that their disposition is entirely out of proportion.

A Paris doctor says that appendicitis comes from mouth-breathing. Take your choice.

Many a promising young man keeps on promising when he should be making good.

Drinking moonshine and racing for a crossing score about equal percentages of fatalities.

The race may not always be to the swift, but it pays to put a little action into the running.

Germany has been granted a moratorium to February 1st, the day before Groundhog Day.

"Pay as you go" is an ideal for state or individual, but that's all it generally is for either.

The meek may inherit the earth, but just now a lot of the other kind are trying to break the will.

Love is the quality that keeps a wife from day-dreaming about what she could do with John's insurance money.

The sad part is not that anybody should get a divorce, but that anybody should be so unfortunate as to desire it.

Says an agitator: "There are crooks in high places, but the man in the street is upright." Not if a flivverite sees him first.

If France issues special currency to pay German workers it ought to go well. It could not fail to be better than what the Germans have had.

The French are being urged to drink wine for health-giving vitamins, only discovered after Ontario went dry.

The Germans having now been judged in voluntary and also in willful default, the next decision may conclude that they do not mean to pay.

A LIFE SAVER.

The Collin's Bay railway crossing death trap is soon to be a thing of the past. Why it has been allowed to exist so long, goodness only knows. Two as dangerous crossings as there are in Canada are those at Collin's Bay, and they have taken their toll of life. The causeway to be built will eliminate both crossings, and next summer motorists and drivers of horse vehicles will have a more contented feeling in knowing that there are two less danger spots for them to travel over.

A tragedy about twenty-five years ago at the Collin's Bay crossing is recalled. A farmer and his wife were driving home from Kingston on a cold afternoon just before Christmas. Their children gazed out of the window in their farm home awaiting their parents, whose vehicle was laden with Christmas things. It began to grow dark and the little ones wondered what had detained mother and daddy. It grew dark, and still they did not come. And late in the evening kind neighbors came in to look after the little family. Mother and daddy would never come home again. As they had driven on to the Collin's Bay crossing, muffled up as they were, they had failed to hear the train coming. As their rig was on the tracks there was a crash and the man and woman were thrown from their seat, and when picked up they were dead. There are many people who recall that tragedy, and to-day they wonder at any organization of men or women who would put a stumbling block in the way of the suburban road commission in the splendid effort it has made to have the death crossings abolished.

The suburban road commission is to be congratulated upon the success that has attended its efforts in getting the Dominion railway board to order the elimination of the danger spots by the building of a causeway, the cost of which the city and the county will pay only twenty-four per cent.; and the county council is to be commended for its alacrity in putting through the necessary resolution and by-law to temporarily finance the cost of diverting the road and adding to the safety of human life.

FRONTENAC ROAD TROUBLES.

The disagreement in the county council over road money votes revives the question of separation. Frontenac is an unusually laid out county. It is nearly one hundred miles from its southern end at Kingston to the northern limit, and the people of the north are therefore little interested in the main provincial highway at this end. The northern reeves are protesting against their townships being taxed for this highway, and have held up the whole county roads by-law—a very serious thing, as the contemplated road work for the year cannot be proceeded with until this by-law is passed, and an emergent session of the council will be required if this work is to be done. The northern reeves should remember, however, that their end of the county will also be served with highways, sooner or later, and the southern portion will be called upon to pay a share. So it would be wiser if a settlement was effected and the year's general work allowed to proceed.

Two years ago, the Ontario Municipal Board, under the Highway act, decided that the northern townships were not interested in the provincial highway near Kingston and relieved them of any assessment for it. Now the Highway act since amended by the Drury government, levies the cost upon each county regardless of how any part benefits.

As to separation, there is no doubt that north Frontenac would be better added to Addington. It belongs to that county for provincial electoral purposes. The townships which form the good roads system, which now include Bedford, might constitute a new Frontenac county. These further north are assessed for \$686,000, or just about one-tenth of the total county assessment. The assessment of the southern townships, including the two islands, amounts to over \$6,200,000.

HOW WILL IT END?

What will be the net result of the French effort to compel Germany to live up to the obligations of the Versailles treaty? How will the present deadlock situation in the Ruhr valley end? These are questions which are to-day agitating the minds of all who realize how closely the events on the banks of the Rhine are related to the welfare of the whole civilized world. Will the result be, as Lloyd George predicts, the rise of a communist alliance of Germany and Russia, and the financial ruin of France as a result of her own policy, or will it be the final subjugation of Germany beneath the heel of a new militaristic France, which has visions greater even than those of the former Kaiser? The question is a hard one to answer. It might be easy to foretell the result of open, armed conflict between the two nations as they are at present constituted, but the present situation is far different from the one which existed when the late war started. In 1914, German and French armed forces,

with the addition of Belgian and British armies, fought for military and naval supremacy. The battle was one of brute force against brute force, and the stronger forces prevailed.

In the present situation, however, we have a battle of economic wits between the French leaders and the German industrialists. Instead of meeting the French invasion with armed and active resistance, a policy of passive resistance is being maintained by Germany. The German leaders are quite content to let the French troops occupy the Ruhr valley. No effort has been made to step them, and indeed, effort would be quite useless in the face of the strong forces being employed by France. But although the Germans have permitted the French to occupy their territory and seize their mines and forests, it is quite another matter when the French seek to obtain production from these natural resources. The refusal of the mine owners to operate forced the French to take the mines over, and that brought about a strike of the miners and other workers. France finds herself with these properties in her hands, but with no immediate means of making them produce the supplies which she urgently needs, and for lack of which she declared Germany in default. Day by day the passive resistance of the Germans is stiffening, and as new penalties are imposed, this resistance will continue to stiffen. This makes the situation a difficult one to handle. If German troops were brought to the scene, the problem would be easily solved, but an army cannot in cold blood attack forces of harmless workmen simply because they refuse to work. Miners cannot be forced to dig coal at the point of the bayonet; so that, for the present, France has gained nothing in compensation for the occupation of the Ruhr valley.

It becomes clearer every day that some outside intervention is essential to a satisfactory ending of the whole matter. French stubbornness is being matched with German endurance, and it does not look as if either is near the breaking point. Daily the economic condition of Germany grows worse, and the hope of securing anything in the way of reparations fades farther and farther into the distant future. And at the same time the franc is tumbling in the world's markets, and the prestige of France is being lowered. Ere long the time will be propitious for the offer of mediatory services by some other nation. The problem is to find the best nation to intervene. Britain would readily act if her services would be acceptable, which is doubtful. French distrust and German antagonism would prevent her services being accepted. The United States stands out as the one great nation which could act to settle the problem. Both Germany and France would welcome intervention from this side of the Atlantic. Our neighbors to the south have a unique opportunity of doing a great service to the rest of civilization, and if they will but take the first step in helping to solve the problems of the world, they will so far to re-establish themselves in the esteem of the nations of Europe.



That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

LEARNING NEW TRICKS

Do you remember when you were learning to ride a horse how tired you became?

Perhaps it was learning to dance or to ride a bicycle and how easy that same thing became in a short time.

Why did it become so much easier? Well, when you were learning to ride the horse, you had to obey instructions—body erect, lines in a certain position in left hand, right hand at side, knees pressed into the side of the horse and so forth. Similarly other words you were not using your body, but your brain also through-out and so physiologists tell us that where the brain enters into an exercise fatigue comes on sooner.

Just as soon as you know how to ride a horse or bicycle, or to dance then you can do these things for almost hours at a time. Why? Simply because the brain is not used any more, all the work being done automatically. The gray matter of your brain is not disturbed in any way, so that there's not the tired mental feeling either.

Before this principle was understood it was very puzzling to physiologists as to how people effected with Chorea of St. Vitus Dance were able to undergo all the movements to which their bodies were subjected.

One eccentric endeavored to follow with his body all the movements of a Chorea patient. He found himself exhausted in a few minutes. Why was he exhausted? Because he had to study every movement, and then execute it with his body.

The Chorea performs all his di-

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

THE KINGDOM WITHIN:—The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.—Luke 17: 20, 21. For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.—Romans 14: 17.

verse motions unconsciously and is thus enabled to do them all day long without fatigue.

Now, what is the lesson? Do not attempt to learn intricate exercise of any kind when you are tired mentally.

Light exercise and simple games are indicated when tired mentally.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR BY SAM HILL

Such Language: "A singer holds his own; But it is tough," sighed Botes; "I'm out of luck, you see; A banker holds my notes."

Observations of Oldest Inhabitant: I kin remember when bankers made better salaries than hod carriers.

Lots of Truth in This: Blinks—"People lived longer in the old days." Jinks—"They had to. It took them so much longer to do things and get places."

From Our Daily Mail: Alice—"No, we never took a prize at a beauty contest, and don't look like Valentino. But, glory be! so far no one has mistaken us for the missing link."

Sarah—"We are not up on those subjects, but think if your complexion is muddy that you ought to keep it in out of the rain." John R.—"Well, even if you are all out over the way your girl treated you, at least be thankful she didn't shoot you full of holes."

Old Maid—"We know of no love powder that will make a man love you. But we know a metal that will. It's commonly called gold."

But No Fair Weather in Sight: "And, speaking of the drought," remarked old Hiram Grover, "I guess that Europe's found 'The reign of kings is over.'"

That's Something: "Is Jones an optimist?" "A real one. He says that, though he is getting old, he at least is glad he doesn't have to buy shoes for the crowfeet that are appearing around his eyes."

Foot Questions: A. M. asks: "Is every train of thought an express train?" No; and in some cases it's darn lucky that it isn't.

Another Mystery Solved: "Collins go through as many as 17 processes in some laundries," says a news item. Then it's no darna wonder they look like such wrecks by the time they get back home!

Just Like a Man: Every man likes to be flattered, and if his wife gets tired of furnishing it for him he will go out and hunt up some other woman who will.—Sam Hill, in Enquirer.

If wife refuses to lie to her man, By telling him he's the best in the land, He will wander away down Primrose lane, Seeking the graces of another Jane. —Warren Tribune.

Gems From Guide Book to Success: The "Trailer," having no inherent power, must be either pushed or pulled into action, as its usefulness is wholly dependent upon other forces. Left by himself, it becomes an obstruction and liability, and, once detached from its leader on a stiff climb, quickly takes the down grade and rushes swiftly to disaster and the scrap heap.

How like many human matters, who steadfastly refuse to believe in and seek to understand the infinite power with themselves. J. E. F.

Daily Sentence Sermon: It is right that a clock should have a face and hands, but there should be no waste of time.

News of the Names Club: W. E. sends word that Jack Spratt lives in Washington, but we understand that he doesn't object to eating fat. Elsie Thee, of St. Louis, knocks for admission. Elsie, we welcome Thee.

Howe Island Notes: Howe Island, Jan. 26.—Mr. Keyes passed through here last week with his sawing outfit. The roads are in good condition now, owing to the heavy thaw. Fred Marshall is erecting a new factory and dance hall.

James Beublen is sawing wood for Fred Walker. Much sympathy is extended to John Goodfriend, Sr., and family in the sad bereavement of a loving wife and mother. Young sons have come to brighten the homes of William Martin and Julius Lachance. Visitors: Thomas Garragh and L. Driscoll of D. Welsh's; James Turcotte, Pittsferri, and J. Bessau at P. Kane's; F. Quinn and P. Lachance at E. Garragh's; L. Prior and Harry Norman at James Beublen's; Alfred Antoine at J. Pickett's; C. B. Quinn at J. Garragh's; J. Pickett at J. Leavis; Fabian Garragh, Rockwood Hospital, Kingston, at John Prior's; Timothy Prior has returned from Wolfe Island where he has been visiting at J. Morgan's. Invitations have been issued for two weddings which are to take place in the near future.

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