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Marks are easy to get in Germany, and Canada has its easy marks, too.

Some of these times one of Lenin's deaths will be the undoing of him.

The man who does the honorable thing never worries about justification.

Greeks are getting ready to invade Turkish territory. Not satisfied, eh?

And now one can't tell whether the success of a picture depends on the hero or the heroin.

Too many grocers are getting the idea that Hooverizing means raising the price of sugar.

The reason platinum is more beautiful than aluminum is because anybody can afford aluminum.

Progress is just a slow business of overcoming the influence of those who think an idea wicked.

In the old days the drawbridge gave you entrance to a man's fire-side; now auction bridge does it.

The thing that gets many persons into difficulty is that they count only what they are asked to pay down.

You can fix the temper of a metal by means of hot water. And frequently it will work in the case of a husband.

The strange thing is not that bears hibernate, but that they have pep enough to wake up at this time of year.

The only thing you can be sure of when you meet a woman driver is that she is going to depend on her intuition.

A vegetable diet may enable you to do more work, but what's the sense in working if that's all the reward you get.

The book of etiquette doesn't explain why the man who howls for service gets more attention than the well-bred chap.

Latest song hit: "I shot him because I loved him." Recommended to wives who cannot bear to see their husbands err.

Nothing much is being said about it, but our understanding is that the Christian nations still are improving their poison gases.

At any rate you can patronize a soda fountain without being button-holed by some weepy chap who wishes to tell the sad story of his life.

Another advantage of a closed car is that you can't confuse the fellow behind by thrusting an arm out to make funny signals.

Gardening would be more popular were there a prescribed natty costume for the gardener, a stylish bag for the tools and a boy to carry it.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY: THE TEMPORAL AND THE EXTERNAL.—All flesh is grass, and all the goodness is as the flower of the field.

The grass withereth; but the word of our God shall stand for ever.—Isaiah 40: 6, 8.

BRITAIN'S SACRIFICE.

Referring to the war debt which Great Britain will pay to the United States, the Wall Street Journal, of New York, says:

"It is a grand total of eleven billion for which no value has been received by Britain except the satisfaction of having been loyal to her Allies and of having broken the power of the German empire."

Great Britain has arranged to pay her war debt, irrespective of what her Allies might do. That is, after all, just about what the world expected she would do. She has always honored her obligations, and therefore more is seemingly expected of her than of any other nation. And all down the centuries she has lived up to the high and noble standard set for her, and, apparently, for her alone. It has been a heavy burden for the motherland, but she has not for a moment sought to evade it. And in war, as in peace, she did her part. Proof of this fact is furnished by Britain's chancellor of the exchequer, who recently brought down the following figures as to the war services and war sacrifices of the United Kingdom and the other nations of the British Empire:

The United Kingdom enrolled 6,211,427 men, of whom 743,000 were killed and 1,633,262 were wounded.

The dominions and colonies enrolled 1,605,527 men, of whom 140,923 were killed and 357,583 were wounded.

India enrolled approximately 1,650,000 men, of whom 61,593 were killed and 70,895 were wounded.

It will thus be seen that in the great war the British Empire called to the colors some 9,466,954 fighting men; that of this number 945,521 paid the supreme sacrifice, while 3,121,796 suffered wounds and disabilities.

In the face of these figures, it is needless to ask, "Who won the war?"

FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS.

Tuberculosis can be arrested and its position among the diseases that have the highest mortality rates radically changed. It is no longer regarded as an incurable disease except in the areas where it is permitted to flourish. This we know with certainty. The disease is prevalent everywhere, making its appearance in every walk of life, and it is, therefore, necessary that any system to effectually combat it must be a universal system calling for the highest form of organized effort.

Tuberculosis is still the chief cause of death in middle life, for official statistics show that about one-third of all the deaths that occur between the ages of fifteen and forty-five are from tuberculosis. It is estimated that 160,000 people die each year in the United States from this cause, and between the ages of twenty and thirty-five, about one-half of all deaths are from tuberculosis. One of the great American life insurance companies reports that tuberculosis accounts of the death of one out of every eight of its policy-holders, taking a toll of life at the rate of one every half hour, day and night, from January 1st to December 31st. Such institutions have a direct financial interest and by co-operating with city officials, health officials and school officials in selected areas, the deaths from tuberculosis were in ten years reduced from 120 per 100,000 to 64 1/2 per 100,000.

The National Tuberculosis Association of the United States is engaged in a campaign for increasing the number of tuberculosis hospitals and sanatoria from 100, sixteen years ago, to 700 with approximately 60,000 beds; for establishing 550 clinics and dispensaries, in securing 3,500 tuberculosis nurses who instruct in the home, mothers and families, and in establishing 3,000 open air schools and preventoria.

In Canada we have not the advantage of such an organization to direct the fight against tuberculosis, consequently there is no concerted action. We are told by physicians who have specialized in the treatment of the disease that we are lacking in municipal clinics and in sanatoria, both of which are needed, the first for the early detection of the presence of tuberculosis and the second for the proper care of the patients. The result of such a condition is that the patient does not receive hospital care until the case is too far advanced, and the mortality rate is steadily increasing.

A committee was recently formed in Kingston by a number of public spirited citizens and physicians for the purpose of securing sanatorium treatment for every tubercular patient, rich and poor alike. A meeting of representative citizens will be held in the city hall on the evening of May 4th for the purpose of forming an anti-tuberculosis organization with the object of starting a province-wide campaign calling upon the Ontario government to provide free sanatorium treatment for tuberculosis sufferers. At present the government and the municipalities make small per capita grants to such institutions. They are main-

tained largely by charity, but their revenues are not sufficient to provide for the care of poor patients, who are obliged to remain in their homes where they cannot receive the care they should have.

The cause is a worthy one and should be supported by all classes of citizens. The appeal is not made out of mere compassion for the sufferers, but for the protection of the human race from a plague that is beyond the scope of individual effort.

A NEWSPAPER'S FUNCTION.

In several recent issues the Whig has tried to suggest some of the purposes entertained by a good community newspaper. It has tried to make it clear that a newspaper is not simply a business enterprise of the ordinary kind, but that it has certain functions to perform as a representative of the community.

It interprets that community to the outside world. Also it is its duty to ally itself with every force in the community working for progress. It must work to arouse public sentiment in favor of all advance movements, to distribute information that shall familiarize the public with such efforts, and try to convince the people that they should co-operate with projects formed for the good of the community.

No paper can perform these functions thoroughly unless it has good public support and the backing of the people and the business men. The better financial backing a newspaper gets, the more actively it can work to help organize community movements, and to spread abroad in other places the impression that its home town is an advancing and wide-awake modern town.

WOODLAND FLOWERS.

This is the season when the wild flowers bloom in the woodlands and along the marshy banks of streams. Gathering the blossoms of plants and shrubs appeals to many as a pleasant excursion, and the number has been augmented greatly since the advent of the automobile. To cull with prudence probably does no harm, but that is not the manner in which much of the gathering is done.

If bushes are broken and plants pulled up by the roots it will follow shortly that wild flowers will cease to exist. If they are sufficiently attractive to create a desire to pull them, they are valuable enough to demand preservation against extinction. It is not unusual along a country road to see great bunches of wilted blooms discarded. More than one could desire are gathered just for the sake of quantity, and since such flowers tend quickly to wilt they are thrown away when they begin to droop.

Without the blossoms present at this season the woods would be far less attractive. But it is necessary for the public to choose between the desire to pull the blossoms and having none to pull in the future. The woodland, the natural habitat of such flowers, is disappearing, and the outlook is not promising at best. It is a cause in which the individual alone can do something to prevent the destruction. If one feels like pulling wild flowers, do not do it. A general observance of the rule would solve the problem.

PRESS COMMENT

What Is The Matter? For the last ten years the farmers have been led to believe that all that was required to bring down the price of machinery was a strong representation of farmer members at Ottawa. There are now 65 well-paid members, supported by a council of agriculture also well paid, and yet machinery has gone higher. What is the matter?—Yorkton (Sask.) Press.

Not To Be Sat Upon. The Order of the Thistle has been conferred on the Duke of York. It will be alright so long as he doesn't happen to sit down on it.—Hamilton Spectator.

New Trout Regulations. One man in town says the change in the law whereby you are not allowed to catch more than twenty trout in a day doesn't worry him. That what he would like to find would be a place where you could catch twenty in a day.—Shelburne Economist.

Need of Quiet Hour. The calm hour needs to be cultivated. An inkling of its value was given in the daily pause which was practised during the war. It finds its place in most religions, and it forms the sauce that leaves the pleasure patches of life. It does more than that. It sets the mind thinking beyond itself, finding in the sequel that just as the physical body is not the real man, so also the mind has something beyond which can control it.—Natal Advertiser.

As a rider to the verdict of the death of a nurse and baby at Kitchener, the coroner's jury recommended gates at the Lancaster street railway crossing, and that the C.N.R. be asked to run their trains at a minimum speed until they are installed.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR BY SAM HILL

You Know It. An auto needs a tank. But it sure plays the devil. Whenever it is placed Behind the steering wheel.

Observations of Oldest Inhabitant. The old-fashioned woman who used to urge her husband to keep up the payments on his life insurance now has a daughter who has to urge her to keep up the payments on the all-mummy.

The Annals Club. "No," admitted the detective, who had been assigned to the latest murder case, "we haven't a single clue, and there isn't a chance in the world of our getting the murderer within the next day or two."

In Luck. "Brown doesn't seem to realize how many faults he has," remarked Jones. "Why should he? He hasn't a wife to keep pointing them out all the time," snapped Henry Peck.

Can't You Hear It! "They never hang a man. Unless he's bad," said Young. "But pictures must be good if they are to be hung."

Pool Questions. T. E. W. asks: "Do they mean it is 'raining cats and dogs' when they speak of it as 'beasty weather'?" They call beasts dumb animals, too, but they wouldn't be so dumb as to ask a fool a question as that.

Let Them Like That. "Why do you speak of your husband as a 'theory'?" asked the caller. "Because he so seldom works," snapped Mrs. Lazebones.

Why Ladies Do Not Patronize Public Library More. The sign on every wall: SILENCE.

Another Guess. (Jake Falstaff in Akron Times). "We ran across the headline, 'Prevents Premature Browning,' but when we found it was not a summer cold cream, but a cooking hint, we knew there was no use telling the girls about it," writes Sam Hill in The Cincinnati Enquirer.

I don't know what I would have thought if I had seen that same headline, seeing that I know both the Brownings have long since been dead. Probably that some school teacher had taken the verses away from some precocious infant and put him to his sums.

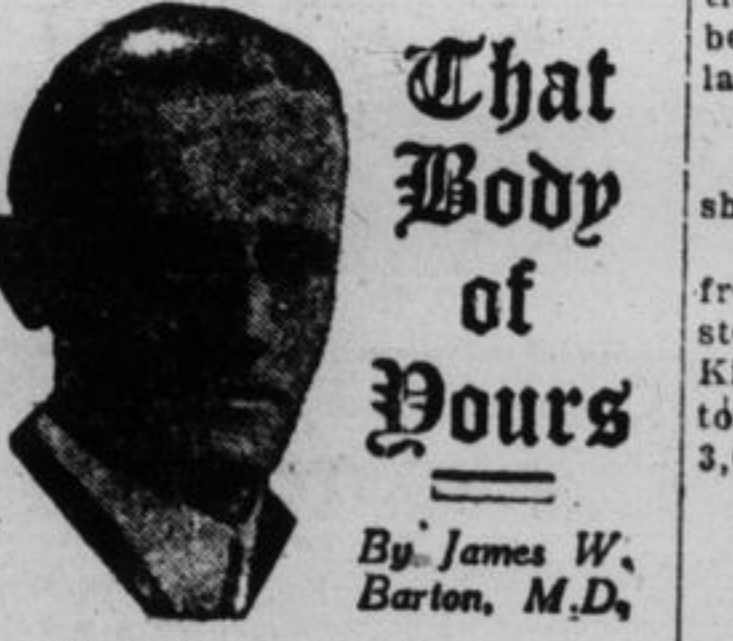
No Nature Fake. It may sound foolish, but "This fact I'd have you note: A man feels sheepish when He finds he is the goat."

Another Wonder of the Age. An inventor has combined a gasoline cigar lighter with a pencil holder.—News Item.

Pa's Idea of It. "Pa," said Clarence, "what do they mean by out of the frying pan into the fire?" "Divorcing a striking blonde and marrying a red-headed widow, I guess," replied his dad.

The Rough Thing! It always gives Us quite a shock, To hear a ship Has struck a rock.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

It causes me Many woes To see a man Strike a pose.—Tom Deming.



That Body of Yours. By James W. Barton, M.D.

What About Your Brakes? If you want to stop a motor car you first take off the power and then apply the brakes. Someone has well said that "the engine is the best brake that a car can possess, granting that the driver knows how to use it so as to get the best results without doing any damage." Did you ever think about that as applied to that body of yours? Your body, like the engine, is running along nicely when the necessity arises for a stop. If your body is understood by you, is really under your control, you see the stop far enough ahead that the use of the brake is almost unnecessary. Thus the advantage of a body under control for the ordinary "stops" that occur in life. But what of the extraordinary "stops" that may arise? Is that body of yours prepared for it? If you have been careless with your body, and have had to apply the brakes for every little stop, what kind of shape will it be in when you have to put on the emergency brake? What do I mean? Well, you have got into the habit of overeating, very often suffer with gas, indigestion and constipation. You call on your brakes then by taking medicines to get rid of the trouble. That is some wear on your brakes. Perhaps you have been exhausting yourself with excesses, keeping late hours, perhaps even working or studying too hard; your nerves begin to suffer and you put on brakes by taking quieting medicines, or sleeping powders. You see your engine—the body—is not under your control all the

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time and you apply the brakes for every little thing. Then along comes the emergency—a severe illness—and the emergency brakes are put on. This is your last ounce of strength in as far as your health and vitality is concerned. Will they hold? They may hold all right and carry you through, but the constant unnecessary wear you gave the brakes by your indiscretions has worn or weakened them and lessened your chances. Keep your engine, that body of yours, under control at all times, and very little braking will be necessary.

Canadian Questions and Answers

Q—When was slavery abolished in Upper Canada? A—Slavery was first abolished in the British Empire, in Upper Canada in 1803 based on an act of the Legislature in 1793 under which abolition was to become effective in twenty-five years thus giving both masters and slaves ample time in which to adjust themselves to the new conditions when slavery was declared to be "forever inconsistent with the laws of Canada."

Q—To what extent is grain being shipped from Vancouver? A—Shipments of Canadian grain from the Port of Vancouver are steadily increasing to the United Kingdom via the Panama Canal, and to the Orient. During April 1923, 3,000,000 bushels were shipped.

FIFTY YEARS MESSENGER.

Of House of Commons—Sees Decline in Oratory. Ottawa, April 28.—A man full of reminiscences, and all the recollections which fifty years of continuous service at the house of parliament would bring, Mr. George A. Boudreault, chief messenger and house-keeper of the House of Commons, sixty-three years old, who celebrated the completion of his fiftieth year of service at the House of Commons on March 1st, has served under all the prime ministers of Canada since Confederation. Mr. Boudreault started at the House of Commons in 1873 as a page.

In the old days when sitting around the Speaker's chair in his capacity of page, Mr. Boudreault became quite a student of oratory. In his present capacity as chief messenger he does not visit the chamber very often, but when he does, he says that he is immediately struck by the decline in the quality of oratory heard in the House. In the days of Sir John A. Macdonald, he said, when such men as L. S. Huntington, J. J. Curran or Mr. Bossé spoke the whole House sat up and took notice. Especially were the proceedings interesting when Mr. Bossé, a Frenchman would get up and deliver an impassioned speech in wonderfully worded English and then his seatmate, Mr. Curran, an Irishman, would rise and deliver an equally eloquent address in French. Either could hold an audience spell-bound with both French and English. "In those days," said Mr. Boudreault, "many more French speeches were heard in the House, although there are actually more French members today than formerly."

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Seven names were submitted at the nomination meeting for St. Catharines' mayoralty, but it is expected that the fight will be between Ald. H. E. Ross and J. E. Biffer, the other candidates probably withdrawing. Oxford county has set an objective of \$4,000 for a campaign to bring Armenian children to Canada. The banks in the county will co-operate.

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