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It may be that the trouble at the Tower of Babel was static.

Most of the people who obstruct progress habitually hope for the best.

If he goes to bed before midnight, he has had his radio set for some time.

Still, if we elected our ablest men to office, who would run big businesses?

Primitive man: An appetite and a passion. Modern man: A front and an alibi.

Painting the kitchen yourself is cheaper, if the paint is the color of your pants.

In time great inventions will take away almost everybody's job except the reformers.

How rightful is the end of man! Man is dust; dust makes mud; mud is used in politics.

Correct this sentence: "I'll never bob it," said she, "if every other woman in the world does."

"I made him what he is" usually means: "He worked for me before he made his reputation."

Parents who once yearned to seem "refined" now have children who are content to seem sophisticated.

Illustrates who can't read the subtitles probably think it their fault that the picture seems idiotic.

There is one thing a family skeleton is good for. It is good for about two columns on the front page.

The world's population is becoming more dense, but you won't notice it much if you won't argue.

A village is a place where everybody knows that he is paying for the car on the installment plan.

Think how many people were incapacitated by St. Vitus dance before cheer leaders were invented.

There isn't much difference except that in the case of the radio concert you don't have to change the needle.

The freedom men really desire is freedom from the mediocrity that keeps them from getting a million.

Girls are getting so giddy nowadays that they won't even stay at home to help mother with the crossword puzzle.

People who talk during the play are not an invention of our age. Back in Bible times there was an ass that could talk.

Among the other pathetic failures must be listed the effort of a high-brow professor to act enthusiastic at a football game.

Detailed figures of Ottawa's vote in the recent plebiscite are interesting. The number of votes polled was 28,102. Entitled to vote were 51,480. The percentage that voted was therefore about 54, which is pretty bad for the capital of the Dominion whose life blood is politics.—Ottawa Citizen.

BETTER IS A DRY MORSEL AND QUIETNESS THERewith, THAN A HOUR FULL OF SACRIFICES WITH STRIFE.—Proverbs 17:1

A HOME-MADE BEAUTY. It takes a trifle over fifty years for a race or a nation to slough off any given idea, however inaccurate or inappropriate to present circumstances, that it has once definitely put on as part of its intellectual apparel. The English-speaking world put on in the mid-Victorian period, mainly through the efforts of John Ruskin, the idea that machinery, and especially steam machinery, and above all self-moving steam machinery which ran around the lovely rural world emitting clouds of coal-smoke, was in itself and in all circumstances ugly; and we have scarcely sloughed off the idea at the end of the first quarter of the succeeding century. And it is an entirely wrong idea.

To do John Ruskin justice, it has to be admitted that the locomotive engines of his day were very awkward, inefficient, childish affairs, the productions of a science in its infancy; and insofar as they were inefficient they were necessarily ugly. An article which has a useful purpose and does not perform that purpose about as well and economically as it can be performed is always ugly. From the ugly steam engine in its infancy Ruskin argued that the steam engine would be ugly in its prime. He was quite wrong.

We wish that Ruskin, not as he would be now if he had gone on living to an appalling age, or even as he was after forty-five, with his strong feelings already crystallizing into prejudices, but a young Ruskin with an eye for power and beauty and with an open mind, could see the superbly beautiful things that are to-day being turned out from the works of the Locomotive Company down on the Kingston waterfront. In those mighty monsters is a perfection of adaptation of means to ends which is of the very essence of beauty. We believe that Ruskin would have liked them. His friend Turner liked, and managed to put into an oil painting, even the very mild sense of power and control and direction that was imparted by the locomotives of the mid-century; what would he have said of these splendid giants with their massed battery of eight driving wheels, their long racer body, their hardly noticeable stack, their tender which is virtually a part of themselves?

It may be that the steam locomotive will pass out of history as the stage coach (itself not very lovely except for its horses) has passed out, and yield place to some other kind of transportation power. But if it does, we do not believe that succeeding ages will declare that the twentieth-century steam locomotive was an ugly thing, or a contemptible thing. And if we should be still alive when that happens, and the new transportation power should turn out to leave no trail of smoke behind it, we fancy that we shall spend our declining years looking back wistfully to the times when the riontonous, blue of a summer or winter sky used to be broken here and there by the tall palm-like column from some standing engine on a siding, or the long thin lingering cloud that showed where the International Limited had passed many minutes before.

But then, we have more reason to love the locomotive than Ruskin had. England got along very nicely without railways, especially in the happy Middle Ages that Ruskin was so fond of, but which were so much less fond of themselves. Canada could not exist without them. The machines turned out on our waterfront are the shuttles of the loom that works the warp and woof of this nation into a durable fabric.

MINCE PIE. A humorous weekly querulously inquires who started the superstition that a hot mince pie may be eaten rapidly at the end of a heavy meal by a middle-aged dyspeptic without harm, providing it was baked by his mother.

This item in the credo was written with the building of the first mince pie because the heart has always been more or less concerned with the business of proper digestion. That is, a man who feels an attachment for food is apt to encounter a reciprocal affection in his meals.

To the ordinary standard commercial mince pie no one writes sentimental verse and for it no one is willing to go to war. The pie must be built in the beginning by her who feels an attachment for her task. Like the garden truck of the Coast Chinese, who raises his plants with love while those about him fall, the mince pie flourishes only when the heart of the maker is in the making. It must not be an orphan makeshift of cracker crumbs, green tomatoes and kindred nev-day fillers, it should be conceived, preferably, in the Fall, in rural regions at hog-killing time. It must be rich in lean meat and white suet and moistened with elder. The cooked mess should be stored in a back shed for a time until its various juices have mingled freely with one another. Finally it must be sculpted into a pie by sympathetic hands.

It must be eaten on a frosty morning. But in no case must it be approached unless the eater's heart is in the project. Preferably it should be consumed after a series of hard chores out of doors, and it should never be met by any but a razor-edged appetite. If these directions are followed mince pie will lie easily in the old frame.

However, the inquirer is correct in questioning the qualifications of a middle-aged man already full of food and of poor digestion. Under no circumstances should he tangle with a robust old-fashioned hot mince-pie, save after an acknowledgment that he does so at his own risk.

CREDIT AND BUSINESS. Modern business is based in great part upon credit. Big business and small business and all branches of business are conducted on a credit basis. It therefore follows that when credit fails business will fail. It is no business secret that the chain of credit extends all the way down from the source of raw materials to the ultimate consumer. Everybody uses credit. The manufacturer, the merchant, the farmer, the customer, all are borrowers. Business benefits from credit, of course, or it would not grant it; but the public also reaps rich benefits from liberal credit. Automobiles, fine furniture, good clothing, radios, pianos, phonographs and many other quasi-luxuries are possible for most people only through credit.

That Body of Hours. The Sergeant Cook. During the war I got acquainted with the sergeant in charge of the food supplies and cooking of a very large military hospital. He secured his supplies from the army service corps, and they were of the same quantity per man, and quality, as the other hospitals. But there was a rumor abroad that he secured more and better supplies, because men and patients of one institution will talk to men and patients of a similar institution.

Now as a matter of fact, as I said above, his supplies were identically the same. Why the difference? Because he actually looked upon his work as an art, and himself as an artist. He arranged his meals a full week ahead varying the menu in every conceivable way, and endeavoring to take into account the season of the year.

In addition to this he would fix up the same kind of food three or four different ways, so that the patients were being continuously tempted to eat the regular hospital meals, and were out of hospital sooner, and the "help" sat down and ate their "rations" without the sign of a kick.

Now there is no question but that our dietitians have taught us a great deal about food. They have figured out well balanced menus and the number of calories per day of each of the food stuffs, along with the necessary vitamins to ensure the all round diet necessary to health. This to them is their art, their profession, and they are deservedly proud of their accomplishments.

But as I think of my friend, the sergeant cook, and remember that he took what was supplied him, prepared meals that were a delight to the eye, and enticed sick people to eat, I can't help but think that his "art" is just as important as that of the dietitian.

Because the big factor underneath all this is, that if you can make the hunger juices—in mouth and stomach—flow, by the appearance and tastiness of the food, you have gone a long way in getting people well. Variety of food, and attractiveness in serving, means that you get the full value of the food.

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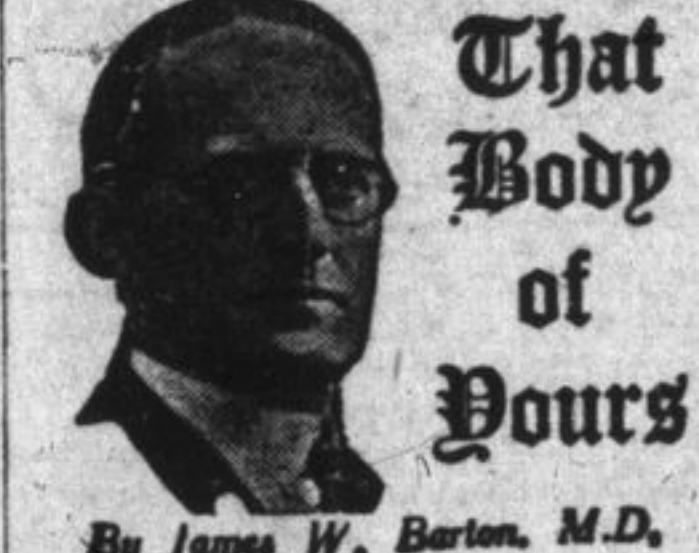
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Tenth Anniversary Of the Great War

November 6th, 1914.

The Germans are bound to reach the coast, but the battle line in the north is reported to remain without any gains by the enemy. The French resort to bayonet charge to press the Germans back in the Argonne district. The Germans subject Arras to violent bombardment, but fail to dislodge the Allies.

Germans right smashed like fallen wine glass. Guns, stores, rifles and wounded are abandoned by the Germans, when the Belgians cut the dykes, and flooded the German positions. It is the climax of disaster for the Germans.

Jellicoe is searching for the German squadron, which is reported to have slipped out of Wilhelmshaven, this week. Turkish war-ships have sunk two Russian passenger steamers in the Black Sea. The British mine-sweeper Mary was sunk by a mine, but all her crew was saved.

Three brigades of German cavalry and two regiments of Ulanes fell into a sunken road trap, laid by the Russians near the Vistula river, and were all killed, wounded or captured. The Allies gain a big victory by defeating 700,000 Germans in a three-day battle. The Germans rushing on in thousands fell into the neat little strategic net and were slaughtered in droves.

A large quantity of fruit is coming for the volunteers. There are many athletes in the battalion and the men are going in for pastimes. While the admiralty still declines to report it, the general opinion here is, that both the cruisers Monmouth and Good Hope are lost.

Canada's Story Day by Day

November 6th. The malcontents of Quebec who were preparing the ground for the rebellion of 1837, organized a club of 20,000 members known as the Sons of Liberty. Its objects were to foster sedition and rouse the Canadians to revolt. At the same time there was in Montreal an institution known as the Doric Club, whose members were loyalists and who were noted for their devotion to the existing form of government.

As the fires of rebellion began to grow brighter, Papineau, the French leader, presided over a meeting of the Sons of Liberty, when a project was formed to organize six counties along the St. Charles and Richelieu rivers into military districts and to declare a republic. Passions had been roused by the fiery oratory at the meeting and it was followed by a reckless attack upon the Doric Club and the Royalist forces on the day in 1837. It was the first clash in the rebellion and the aggressors were soon overcome. In retaliation for the attack the Royalist supporters raided the offices of the rebels' newspaper, utterly destroying the plant. The affairs of the Sons of Liberty were controlled by an inner secret society, the members of which were "Les Chasseurs." Not one of its members ever betrayed its secrets, and its affairs remain a mystery to this day. In after years many of its members became good and loyal citizens, and some even achieved cabinet positions.

KINGSTON IN 1854

Highlights From Our Files

Electioneering Expenses. July 25.—(In the federal election then pending only John Counter dared oppose Hon. John A. Macdonald. Both were Conservative, so a mock nomination and election of "The Gallant, Braw John Highlander," Commander of the Frontenac Bloody First, was reported in our columns. The following is the expense account.)

Paid to J. Thompson, innkeeper, for "Morton's Proof" and "Cronk," drank by voters \$150 0 0

Paid bribes to 500 opposition voters (confidential item) 500 0 0

Paid cabs for carrying home 150 adherents in a state of innocence, 20 0 0

Paid police for picking up twenty voters, dead drunk 5 0 0

Paid cab for taking home Gallant Braw, pretty well bamboozled, but sober, 0 5 0

Paid for washing cab 0 7 6

Paid one day's loss of cab. Couldn't be used, 0 15 0

Paid cabdriver's doctor's bill (nausea) 1 0 0

Paid doctor's bill, cab washers (nausea) 2 0 0

Paid two women (young and good looking) who threatened to turn the election—elander (confidential item) 10 0 0

Paid for silk dress each (do) second threat 10 0 0

Paid for repairing sympathetic bag-pipes 1 0 0

Paid sundries, smashed windows, doors, and counters 75 2 6

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WHY THE WEATHER?

DR. CHARLES F. BROOKS Secretary, American Meteorological Society, Tellus New.

When It Occurs in the Night. There is a saying that when the weather clears in the night it will not stay clear long. This appears to be supported to some extent by reason. When a "low" passes the weather usually clears rapidly, since over much of the country the forward progress of a "low" exceeds the inflow of the winds behind. Thus, dry air must descend from above to make up for the insufficiency of the horizontal inflow. Such dry air warming by compression as it comes down tends, naturally, to be cloudless. So the clearing in the night

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Lieutenant-Governor Sends Coat-of-Arms to Castle Inn. Picton, Nov. 5.—Mr. A. E. Calnan was in Belleville on Friday in attendance at the Bay of Quinte Press Association, and responded to the toast to the visiting press men at the banquet in the evening. Mr. Calnan is secretary of the association.

On Friday evening last the members of the Anglican Young People's Association motored over to Belleville where they were the guests of the A.Y.P.A. of that city. Miss Edna Wildman, eleven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wildman, who attracted so much attention by her clever riding at Picton fair, has received a letter from the secretary of the Ottawa Winter Fair urging her to go to Ottawa with her pony to compete in the riding events there. Mrs. (Dr.) Elmer Lake, Kingston, was a recent visitor with her sister,

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