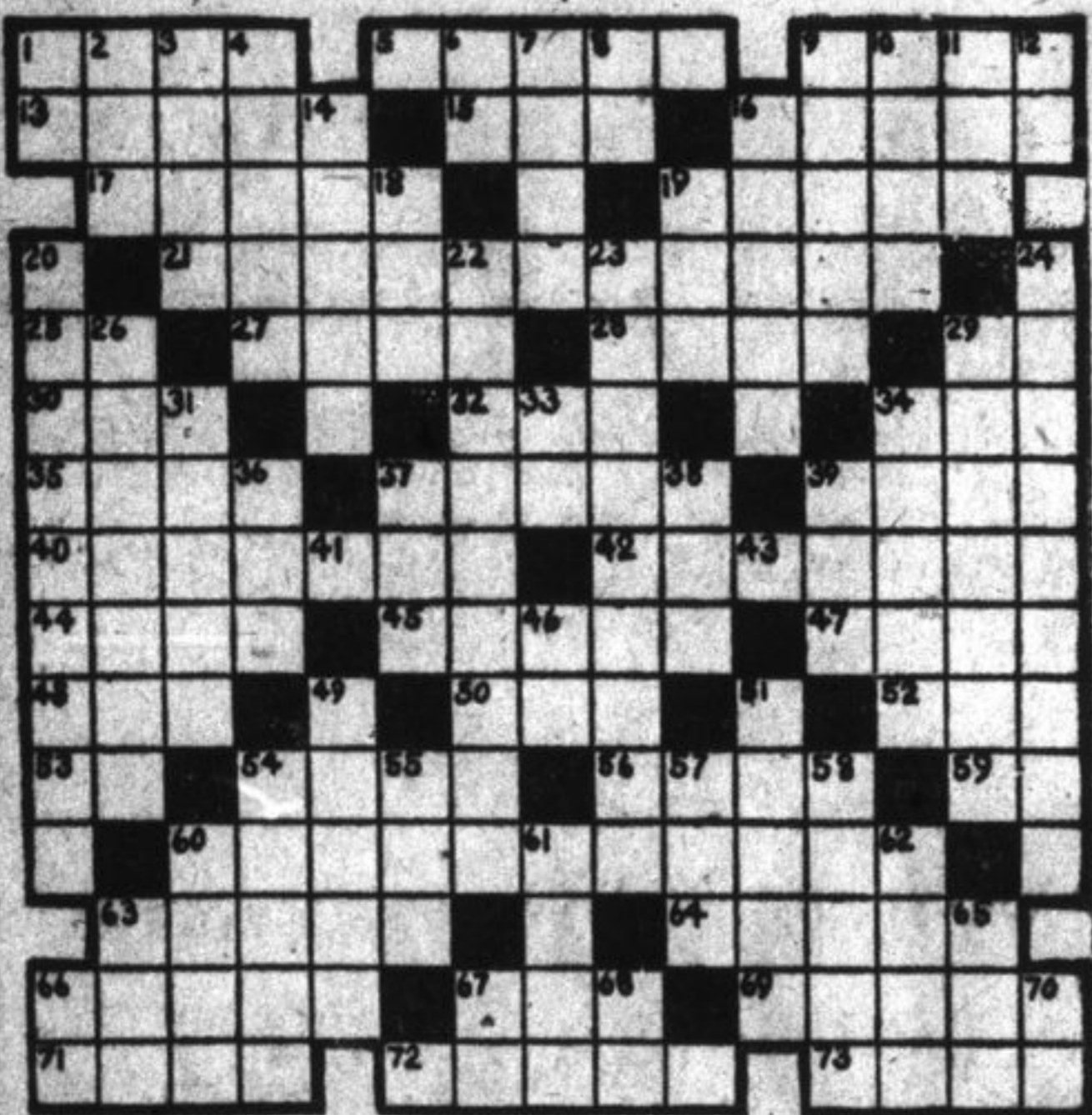


CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

How To Solve the Cross Word Puzzle
Every number in the form represents the beginning of a word, reading either horizontally or vertically.

- 1. An imaginary fallen angel in Persian myth.
2. Half of the width of an em.
3. Parts of fences.
4. Solely.
5. Mountains (abbr.)
6. A river in Italy.
7. One who is under age.
8. Expenses.
9. To catch or seize suddenly.
10. To go to court to gain legal redress.
11. Perpetually.
12. Waxy.
13. Capable of being resisted.
14. Ramblers.
15. Whittened.
16. A musical entertainment.
17. A country in the Eastern Hemisphere.
18. That thing.
19. Frenzy.
20. Hair.
21. A crib.
22. Nothing.
23. A series of games in tennis.
24. Pair (abbr.)
25. The leader of the faithful Mohammedans.
26. Cuts into small cubes.
27. Animals with long shaggy hair.
28. Twice.

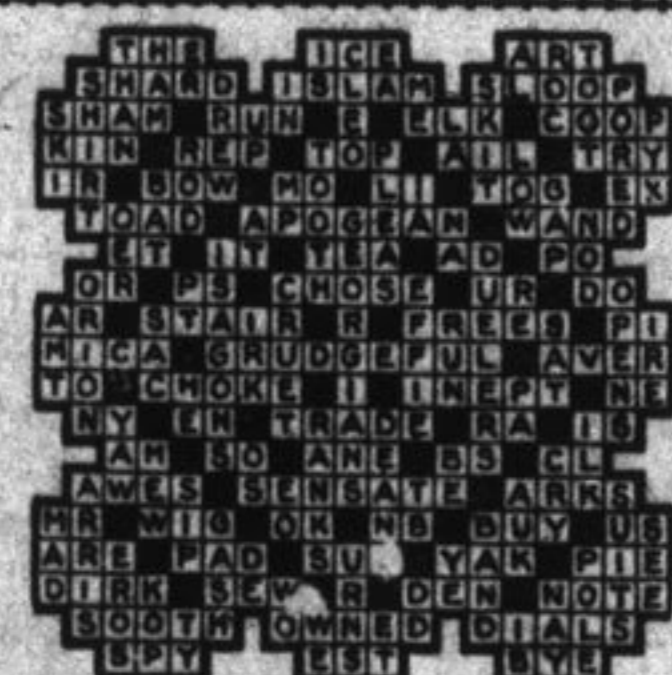


This little dainty will set your cerebellum spinning. For instance, unless we told you, you'd have brain fever before you discovered that Number 13 Horizontal, "A theatre in ancient Greece" is "Odeum." To

- Horizontal.
1. Weakness.
2. Lashed.
3. To play boisterously.
4. A theatre in ancient Greece.
5. A female fowl.
6. One of the chief divisions of a long poem.
7. A species of stonecrop (variety).
8. Besmeared or bespattered.
9. Doggedly.
10. New Brunswick (abbr.)
11. An outer garment.
12. Animals kept to play with.
13. Calcium (abbr.)
14. 551 (Roman numerals).
15. To tear.
16. The badge of a Japanese family.
17. Part of the surface of the earth.
18. A staff used by an orchestra leader.
19. A loose material resulting from rock disintegration.
20. Peculiar to a particularly locality (medicinal).
21. General stiffness.
22. The surface of the body.
23. A semi-independent state between British India and the Himalayas.
24. A row or a rank.
25. A large body of water.
26. A globe.
27. Part of the verb "to be."
28. Lord (abbr.)
29. A Hindu gentleman.
30. Deposited.
31. Treasurer (abbr.)
32. Acts of gazing (botanical).
33. Thin small nails.
34. Portable lodgings.
35. An aborigine of New Zealand.
36. To tilt.
37. Helms.
38. Strikes with a quick smart blow.
39. Not hollow.
40. Utters in words.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

Solution of Last Week's Puzzle



Death of a Sister.
David Clement Tweed, was called to Peterboro on Saturday last, having received word of the death of his sister, Mrs. John Woodhouse. Mr. and Mrs. Woodhouse had resided in Peterboro about seven years, having gone there from Yaker, where he had been employed by the Benjamin Wheel Company. Mrs. Woodhouse leaves a husband and eight children.

Memorial Windows.
The new windows, in memory of the late Dr. and Mrs. Leonard, presented by the members of their family, have been installed in St. Mary Magdalene's church, Napanee.

U.S. Census bureau reports 3,316 more cancer fatalities this year than last, while tuberculosis decreases. Monoxide gas killed three men in a garage at Holly, Mich.

YOUNG CANADA.

(Continued from Page 1)

The revolt of Youth must express its contempt for some of the sermons on alleged success that appear in the pages of our magazines. These selfish, self-gratulatory epistles look mighty small and cheap, after one glance at the face of Dr. Grenfell.

The most disgusting part of it all is when these modern editions of Scrooge and Marley begin to talk about "ideals." Youth can stand almost anything, but we beg to be excused when Mammon stalks in to address the dreamers.

In war, it is popular for everybody to serve their country. In peace, it is the popular thing to shirk the call of duty and sigh complacently, "Let George do it," to inveigh against the "politicians" and the "rotten government." But if one is not contributing, by his own effort, toward public improvement, what right has he to sit in the seat of the scornful?

It is a good omen when those who were willing to offer all in war are still willing to carry on in the days of peace. Col. Charles Bent, C.M.G., D.S.O., gave four years in France. He was one of those unsuccessful in the last dominion elections. But time and the stars are on his side. He said to me, speaking of an M.P. who had shirked his duty, "What a pleasure to work for a country like Canada." That, I think, is the best political speech I have ever heard.

What a pleasure to work for a country like Canada! What a pleasure to work for an Empire like Britain! Those who can speak like that have found a cause greater than themselves, which can lift them in peace, even as it did in war.

Third—The revolt of Youth is for an ideal which is spiritual, not material. We believe that Canada stands for something more than beef, and pulp, and grain, and manufactures. We are humbly conscious of our shortcomings, in things which matter most, and for that reason we look to the church and to the university for that leadership which they alone can give.

In days to come we want to see men at Ottawa to represent the universities of Toronto and McGill, just as England has men in parliament to represent Oxford and Cambridge. Why should we leave all our public life to petty politicians of an aldermanic group?

In our efforts toward advance we shall have lots of prodigested-correspondence-school-idealists approach us from the market-place. But we shall simply put a ticket on these Johnnies with the inscription, "Returned with thanks."

Over the chalk roads of the Somme we used to sing, "There's a long, long trail a-winding to the land of our dreams." Back in our beloved land there is still a long, long trail a-winding. Nothing less than a spiritual ideal can keep us in the quest of those far dreams.

We are interested in building up a civilization, not a cemetery. Therefore, the revolt of Youth has no ear for the philosophers of failure, who seek to justify their own shortcomings by their miserable creeds. Young Canada is not out to follow precedents, but to make them. Ours is the forward-looking spirit, and yet we would not forget the past.

It is a peculiar weakness of new countries that they are so keen on pressing forward, that they are apt to forget the best that lies behind. The true progressive is the true conservative; that's why we are not out to reform the world overnight. In the war we learned that it was better to take two lines of trenches and consolidate, than to take five lines with an attenuated force, that in the end must abandon all.

Young Canada stands for the equipoise of past and future. But let it be clearly emphasized that we, above all else, are for the future. When some old Ichabod begins to croak about the "best times gone," we shout, "The best is yet to be."

Youth does not mean merely those who are young in years. Peter Pan, the boy who never grew up, is ours at eighteen, or eighty. Beyond the three score years and ten, Sir Wilfrid Laurier proclaimed, "Our horizons are not in the past, but in the future." By those words, Sir Wilfrid proclaimed himself as one of Young Canada, persisting to the end. Horizons in the future are the sign of youth. Those who still have "air castles," who are not "satisfied" and "settled down," they are the kindred of Youth, they are the hope of this dominion.

"THE THIEF OF BAGDAD"

BY AHMED ABDULLAH

Based on Douglas Fairbanks' Fantasy of the Arabian Nights, by Elton Thomas

"Insults are no argument. Kindly explain!" demanded Ahmed, stiffly. "Here you have the magic silver box—I can see it sticking out of your waist shawl—and you have not even enough sense to use it."

"Use it?" "Yes. Open it. Don't you know what is inside?" "Happiness—also honor, I was told."

"Rightly told! But, Ahmed, happiness is a helpmeet to those who deserve it—as you deserve it, having conquered your own self. And honor, too, helps in life's struggles. Honor is really a very practical and constructive virtue. Fine ideals always are."

That is exactly where cynical philosophers are wrong. Look!—as Ahmed opened the little silver box—"do you see the tiny yellow seeds?" "What are they?"

"They are seeds from the Flower of Unfulfilled but Righteous Desire. Throw a seed on the ground. Wish hard. And if the wish be just and right, a puff of smoke will rise from the earth where the seed struck it, and at once you will have your wish fulfilled. Why?"—as Ahmed hesitated—"don't you believe me? Try it! Wish hard!"

"Very well," replied Ahmed; and, raising his hands to heaven, he exclaimed: "I want a horse—a horse swift as the wind, to cover the distance between here and Bagdad before the day is over. And I also want a square meal. For I am terribly hungry!"

He took one of the little seeds, dropped it, and at once a puff of smoke rose from the ground, and there stood a tall, splendid, broad-backed Marwari stallion, black with a white star on the forehead, white stockings, daintily but strong hocks, and gorgeously saddled and bridled.

"By Allah!" cried Ahmed. "The silver box works!" He dropped another seed; came another puff of smoke; and a table came out of the nowhere, covered with snowy linen, glass, silver, fruit, drink and platters of steaming food.

"Come, wise hermit!" laughed Ahmed. "Be my guest! Here is food enough for two!" They ate. Then the hermit blessed Ahmed, who mounted the stallion and was off.

The horse paced away faster than the wind—faster and faster—a mile at a jump—a mile at a leap—a mile at each stretch of its splendid, steady body.

Ahmed rode as he had never ridden before. He rode with a song in his heart. For here was his Fate blazing ahead of him like a sacred Grail; and

captured the Caliph and the Princess Zobeid. They are murdering the people. They are polluting the wells. They are stabling their horses in the temples of Allah. They are crucifying the priests. They are looting and burning the ancient town!"

"Yoo-yoo-yoo! Yoo-yoo-yoo!" —rose again the sobbing and wailing, while Ahmed bowed toward Mecca. "Forgive me, O Lord God," he said, "that this morning I cannot finish my prayer. But my heart and soul and fist are needed at Bagdad!" And he mounted his stallion and rode away.

(To Be Continued.)

NO PRINCESS



Now she's "just folks." Princess Nobuko, daughter of Prince Kuni of Japan, has married a commoner—Count Sanjonihi. So she no longer is considered a member of the royal family.

RAILWAY OUTLOOK IS REPORTED PROMISING

Heaviest Traffic in American Railroad History—Canada Should Get Share.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—December opened with a gain in railway traffic over the corresponding period of last year. For the week ended 6th instant there was a betterment of 270 loaded cars. This was a small improvement; but it nevertheless was on the right side. In but two other weeks since the middle of July had that occurred.

If that were all, there would be little cause for encouragement; but when the facts are analyzed they reveal a situation which is stimulating. In the West 13,453 carloads of grain and grain products were moved during the week ended 6th December, 1923. This year but 8,798 were handled—an adverse difference of 4,655. In that is found the effect of the smaller harvest of 1924.

In all the other commodity classes, with two exceptions, there were gains in the West this year. The decreases were in lumber and other forest products, and amounted to 379 carloads. On the other hand, the increases were: Live stock, 314; coal, 263; coke, 28; pulpwood, 40; pulp and paper, 58; ore, 306; merchandise, 246; and miscellaneous, 560. Leaving out grain, there was a net expansion in the West of 853 carloads.

In the East there was a gain in the whole volume of traffic of 1,339 carloads over the corresponding week of last year. The increase occurred in every commodity class but one—pulp and paper. There was a drop there of 198 carloads. The carload betterments were: Grain and grain products, 278; live stock, 244; coal, 261; coke, 98; lumber, 411; pulpwood, 83; other forest products, 133; ore, 177; merchandise, 596; and miscellaneous, 869.

It will be seen by all who look with enlightened judgment on the foregoing gains in railway traffic that they very plainly indicate an advanced state of business in the eastern provinces, as contrasted with the conditions which obtained a year ago. As a barometer, traffic is infallible. In this instance it tells us very plainly that grounds exist for satisfaction and optimism. Trade is undoubtedly picking up, and it is going on in a broad way.

With results for the first week of December in hand, it is possible to speak more or less positively about railway operating results for 1924. As compared with 1923, the year will wind up with a probable decrease of about \$30,000,000 in gross earnings. Of that sum, \$18,000,000 will attach to the Canadian National. The Canadian Pacific will show a decline of approximately \$7,000,000. The remainder will be distributed among the smaller roads.

The total gross receipts by all the railways of Canada for 1924 will be about \$445,000,000. That must be contrasted with \$243,000,000 in 1924. In that year two-thirds ran a little over twenty-two billions. This year they are likely to turn over the thirty billion mark. In that one factor may be recognized the whole story of traffic expansion within the decade—say 36 per cent. The larger growth in gross earnings is accounted for by higher rates, which, in turn, have been more than counterbalanced by an increase in

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By R. Arthey, Optometrist 148 PRINCESS STREET NO. THIRTY-SIX.

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This is wrong? Decidedly so. Surely the eyes are as important as the teeth, and should get as much consideration.

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