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Wonder how Bulgaria likes practical sovietism.

For that matter, about ninety per cent. of us take our own lives.

No town is a good town to the man who feels sorry for himself.

Hair tonic might be worse; it doesn't make anybody sing "Sweet Ad-o-line."

In our glorious democracy, a man is known by the people he snubs.

Swellhead never becomes chronic until a man has climbed as high as he is going.

The words usually associated with suffering are "ouch" and "That reminds me."

Ah, well; the hard necessity that makes us work hurts less if we call it a career.

Culture is just the realization that art is art despite the immortality of the artist.

A faint heart never won a fair lady, but otherwise it has no particular advantage.

Of course a college education helps; but the sand lots develop many good natural hitters.

The grand manner wouldn't be useful here, except that you could get by with a walking stick.

It takes three generations to make a gentleman, and about that many drinks to spoil the effect.

The modern girl is different, but her chief interest continues to be a three-letter fish beginning with m-

[illegible] small choice. If you're [illegible] an old cake-eater; and if you're [illegible] an old kill-joy.

Woman's thumb be[illegible] farther than man's; but [illegible] long it has exerted pressure.

An old-timer can remember when a naughty past was a handicap instead of material for a magazine article.

We are all much alike, and even a very nice little girl may think "Darn" when she gets the wrong number.

Policemen lead a dangerous life. In Omaha a cop started to arrest a man and the man sold him some insurance.

It's a hard world. If you don't lift your hat you expose your bald manners; if you do you expose your bald spot.

What a fine world this would be if people would spend as much energy practicing their religion as they spend quarreling about it.

London is reported to be agreeable to an extension of the term of Baron Byng as governor-general of Canada. As the Hamilton Spectator [illegible] this makes it unanimous.

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KINGSTON AND QUEEN'S.

"The Government cannot support three universities in Ontario. Queen's and Western Universities will have to put on extensive campaigns to interest their local people."

On the very day when Mr. Ferguson, premier and minister of education, delivered this pronouncement, the energetic principal of Queen's was giving an insight into the pressing question of university finance to a club of Kingston business men. This week it was the Board of Trade who were being given a look at the balance books of the university.

The hard fate of the Israelites in Egypt, compelled to turn out the regular tale of bricks and forage at the same time for the necessary straw, is proverbial. But their task was light compared with that of a principal and university board who must turn out a maximum of trustworthy graduates while foraging for the money to put them through. No wonder gray hairs predominate around the council table.

Queen's has never been afraid of poverty. Throughout the most grinding and pinch-penny years she continued to turn out men of character, and can do so again, if need be. But the need and its accompanying anxiety should never arise again. As the principal pointed out, the Government, as merciless tax-collector, is sequestering revenues which would otherwise have flowed to the university coffers. Has not the university still some equity in such monies? And there is the second important fact that sixty per cent. of the undergraduates of Toronto university belong to that city. Why should the whole province be taxed to educate the youth of Toronto? However, Mr. W. F. Nickle, chairman of the board, should see to Queen's interests as far as is possible with the Ferguson government.

For the rest, Kingston itself will have to do better. The university regularly pays out some half million dollars here each year. It attracts a thousand students to the city. It is estimated that during the thirty weeks of their stay the students leave another half million dollars here. So that it would only be business for the citizens to assume a considerable financial undertaking rather than lose the students. Conditions are bad enough when the Locomotive Works shuts down; were the income from the university also withdrawn, Kingston would indeed be in the doldrums.

THE ROAD TO PEACE.

A campaign is just now in progress throughout Canada to secure public support, in the form of membership, for the League of Nations. The response should be general. This country looks favorably on that great court of nations as the best means yet devised of securing the peace of the world. It may not be perfect. Few things which owe their origin to human genius are. But no other machinery has yet been devised which has in it such a high measure of promise, looking to the accomplishment of its aims, as has the League.

In the ills to which individual human beings are liable, prevention is always better than cure. The same rule should be accepted with regard to international ills. It is logical and therefore unanswerable. If the world is to have universal and perpetual peace, some adequate way of arresting actions which may lead to war must be found. The League of Nations fills all requirements. All it needs at this moment is co-operation on the part of all nations. That seems likely to be brought about.

THE MEASURE OF MEN.

One finds a fine opportunity to measure the effect of the moral and intellectual stature of men on gov[illegible] apprai[illegible] by going studiously and [illegible]tory of Ca[illegible]da over the political history since Confederation. From 1871 to 1905, representing a period of [illegible] years, the reins of provincial governm[illegible] hands of Liberals. It were in the [illegible] for Ontario that the Liberal [illegible] fortunate during that long regime had party men at its head as Edward Blake, Oliver Mowat and George W. Ross—fortunate, because they gave sound administration with prudence. The needs of the province were met, during a time of great expansion and development, without adding materially to taxation or debt.

Let us look for a moment at these men. They were big men, in the sense that they brought commanding intellectuality, statesmanlike vision, and sterling judgment to bear on the problems of government. They always took high ground. They were incapable of pettiness. They were, in a word, strong men. But they had something else, which rose above all other qualifications, which gave a distinction to all their methods and measures. It was this: They regarded themselves as the custodians of a sacred trust. That trust was to serve the province as best they could. Everything they did was done under a lofty sense of responsibility to the people.

There is, of course, a natural tendency to idealize those personalities in [illegible] political history who stand out so boldly and significantly in comparison with those personalities with which we are immediately in contact. Their virtues shine so splendidly that we are apt to be blinded to their faults, and to refer to them as supermen. That much may be admitted, without in the slightest degree impairing the contrast which is forced on the people of Ontario to-day. As we look back on the men who piloted the province during that great formative period to which allusion has just been made, those giants of the past, we must view with acute discouragement the character and calibre of the men who hold office to-day.

It is impossible to avoid that comparison. The very conditions by which we are challenged, tell us that our provincial affairs are in the hands of pygmies—small and glaringly incompetent men. They are weak, as well as unfit. But it is in moral qualities that they are weakest. They feel no sense of trusteeship. Instead, they assert a brazen sense of propriatorship. It is no mere figure of speech to say they snap their fingers at public sentiment and public judgment. The autocratic Attorney-General is a fair example of what is meant by the Government's disregard of the people. When such men are measured against Blake, Mowat and Ross, those strong leaders of the past, or against a score or more of their capable lieutenants, one grows ashamed of the situation to-day in Ontario.

Sound government, in the final reckoning, has always been a matter of the right men in office, and always will be. It seems little short of a public calamity, therefore, that at this most critical juncture in the history of the province we should have such weak men holding the reins of power at Toronto. It has often been said that under our representative system we get the men we deliberately choose. That is at best a hideous distortion of the truth. What we get is the men who are thrust on us by a vicious system using sectionalism, prejudice, deception and cupidity as its weapons. The triumph of such influences only serve to emphasize the imperative need for a general and genuine awakening. With an alert and aroused electorate, who would for a moment assume that such men as are now in office could possibly be given public endorsation?

THE GOLD BASIS.

A correspondent calls attention to what he regards as an important omission from an article which recently appeared in these columns relating to the gold basis of our currency. He puts it in this way:

'In your editorial on currency you overlook an important fact. That is, the banks, taking advantage of the fact that the average person does not demand gold, have issued millions of dollars in bank notes without sufficient gold on hand to redeem them. This is called inflation, and necessarily raises the cost of living."

While it is substantially true that the banks issue notes in excess of their gold reserve, the failure of note holders to demand gold has really little or nothing to do with the matter. Under the Bank Act a chartered bank is permitted to issue its own notes to the extent of its unimpaired assets, provided it holds in reserve 40 per cent. of the amount of its issue in either gold or Dominion notes. That is held to be adequate protection. During the war it was deemed expedient to withdraw the right of note holders to demand gold, and that condition still obtains.

The fact that the Canadian dollar stands practically at par in the New York market is ample proof that our currency is sound. The withdrawal of the note holders' privilege of demanding gold has not affected the situation adversely. Nobody wants gold. It is cumbersome and inconvenient. All that is required is security. That we have. To say, however, that the issue of bank notes in excess of the actual gold reserve leads to inflation, and at the same time raises the cost of living, is [illegible]re a theoretical deduction than a [illegible]

It [illegible] were m[illegible]morrow our store of gold currency, equal to our issue of [illegible]manding gold the privilege of de[illegible] not probable the [illegible] restored, it is materially altered. It [illegible]tion would be a call for gold it would s[illegible]should go a sense of insecurity, and we [illegible] from far away from that danger as [illegible] should be if our supply of the precious metal were equal to our bank note and Dominion note circulation. In other words, our currency position is strong, and that does away with all grounds for suspecting inflation. If there were any degree of inflation, the price of our dollars in New York would at once warn us of that fact.

Three men will travel from Oregon to New York by motor boat.

Mrs. E. Stanley, mother of Lord Ashfield, is dead at Detroit.

"Princes Pat's" band of Edmonton will not visit Wembley this year.

Germans plan celebration at opening of Munich Museum on Tuesday.

That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

Hint on Head Colds.

These little head colds, with a collection of mucous in the nose and throat, are very common and very troublesome.

That the lining membrane in some folks is very easily disturbed is now generally admitted. With dust, changing from a cold to a hot, or from a hot to a cold atmosphere, the advent of damp weather, seem to irritate the lining membrane of the nose, and immediately there is a great amount of mucous manufactured, which must be removed.

Then the lining will appear to stop manufacturing the mucous, and the nose will become "stuffed up."

The various methods used all seem to be of help. That is using salt and water as a spray, or putting it up the nostril with a small dropper, and drawing it through the nose to throat and then expectorating it. If a passage is not maintained at least on one side, it means breathing through the mouth, with a consequent drying of the throat, due to the air going into the lungs taking the moisture from the mouth and throat, instead of from the moist lining of the nose.

Sometimes the covering of the small bones inside the nose—turbinate bones—swells up, and partly blocks the passage.

If in addition to this, the septum or division between the two nostrils is bent too much to one side, then a blockade of the passage may occur. It is not serious, but extremely annoying.

A little point that may be of help when you are trying to get some sleep, is to lie on the same side as the blocked nostril. If you do this then the outer wall of the nose falls away from the septum, instead of toward it, and you thus get more room.

This may give you sufficient air, so that you will not have to breathe through the mouth.

Try it.

Canada's Story Day by Day

By B. Hodwen Davies

May 2nd.

This is the hundred and forty-sixth anniversary of the birth of John Galt, at Irvine in Scotland. As a young man he attempted with little success, to make his way in business, then he tried the law. This he forsook for a literary life; and in his day he was famous as a novelist for his delineations of Scottish life and character. In his autobiography he tells how as a little child a picture of Niagara Falls fascinated his imagination; and he was destined to play for a few years a notable part in the history of Upper Canada. Being appointed agent for Canadians who were endeavoring to obtain compensation for losses incurred during the War of 1812, he suggested a scheme for the selling of the crown lands of Canada to raise a fund for the "satisfying of the claims of his clients." Indirectly this suggestion led to the formation of the "Canada Company," and Galt was sent out as Commissioner to make investigations, but he was ill-supported in his efforts for the good of the settlers brought out, and was soon superseded.

THE MISSION CIRCLE OF ATHENS CHURCH

Held Its Annual Business Meeting—A Thankoffering Event a Feature.

Athens, May 2—At the annual business meeting of the Mission Circle held at the home of Miss M. Coon, the following officers were elected: Hon. President, Mrs. (Rev.) Warren, president, Miss Marjorie Hollingsworth; vice-president, Miss Marjorie Earl; recording secretary, Miss Maizie Redford, treasurer, Miss Coral Purcell, correspondent secretary, Miss Mildred Coon; superintendent of Christian Stewardship, Miss Jessie Hawkins; Strangers' secretary, Miss Beatrice Wright; mite box secretary, Miss Eleanor Young. Delegates to branch meeting in Kingston on May 19-21st, Miss Maizie Redford, alternate, Miss Marion Hollingsworth.

A meeting of especial interest was the thankoffering service of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Mission Circle combined held in the auditorium of the Methodist church on the evening of the 29th ult. Special musical numbers by the mission [illegible] choir, and appropriate reading Marion Misses Violet Robinson and preciated. [illegible]llingsworth were much appreciated. titled "Chris[illegible] impressive pageant entitled "Chris[illegible] impressive pageant en[illegible]ven its initial [illegible]the World," was gi[illegible]poser, Mrs. Wm. [illegible]station, the com-Spirit of Christianity, [illegible]ss as, "The ing role. For three quarters [illegible] the lead-the twelve characters play[illegible] hour parts admirably, giving much [illegible] their information as to the inauguration and progress of the mission work both at home and abroad, the costuming adding much to the effectiveness of the scene. In addition to the central figure, there were four matrons, Mesdames B. Moore, G. Gainford, N. Scott and B. Peterson, two Misses viz., Eleanor Young and Mildred Coon, two juniors, Mildred Fennessn and Beatrice Peterson, also two tiny tots of four and under, Amy Young and Katharine King. Herbert Hollingsworth, "The Missionary Income," was a huge money-bag on legs, and played his role most creditably. Miss Margaret Gibson, home from Queen's University, gave a few echoes from the great international missionary convention held recently in Washington, and to which she was sent as delegate from Queen's. Miss Gibson has been speaking with great acceptance in various churches on the great themes she heard discussed in the Capital of the Republic. to the south, and has consented to give a fuller report of the proceedings at some future date, on Wednesday evening she confined herself to the brief space of two minutes, which she packed so full of such interesting excerpts from the sessions that she will be pleased anticipated when she consents to speak again.

To Honor Mother's

"Mother's Day" has [illegible] generally observed [illegible] the land, and has been lo[illegible] for perhaps ten or twe[illegible] parations by the church [illegible] gress again this year, t[illegible] fixed for May 10th.

Demure crocuses and bri[illegible] dils in local gardens are [illegible] the eyes of passers-by. Ba[illegible] soft ball are of absorbing [illegible] the students at present. Ex[illegible] are in progress at the high [illegible] many are just now uncom[illegible] dious.

Mrs. H. R. Knowlton ha[illegible] ing bee" recently and som[illegible] friends assisted their hoste[illegible] joyed an afternoon of old [illegible] sociability. Wm. Browse, O[illegible] a recent guest of his sister [illegible] C. Arnold. Mrs. W. H. Ha[illegible] called to Sweet's Corners [illegible] owing to illness in the fami[illegible] daughter, Mrs. Johnston.

Tyendinaga Reserve Ne[illegible]

Tyendinaga Reserve, May [illegible] Mrs. Pearl Loft and children [illegible]ille, are visiting her brothe[illegible] [illegible] Brant. Jack Bell spent [illegible] ville. [illegible] with friends in Sha[illegible] doing a [illegible] lightning rod agent[illegible] serve. Mr. [illegible] business on Th[illegible] daughter, Detroit. Mrs. Henderso[illegible] James and Mrs. [illegible] the gues[illegible] friends of Miss Susan [illegible]. The [illegible] sorry to hear of her [illegible] wi[illegible]

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