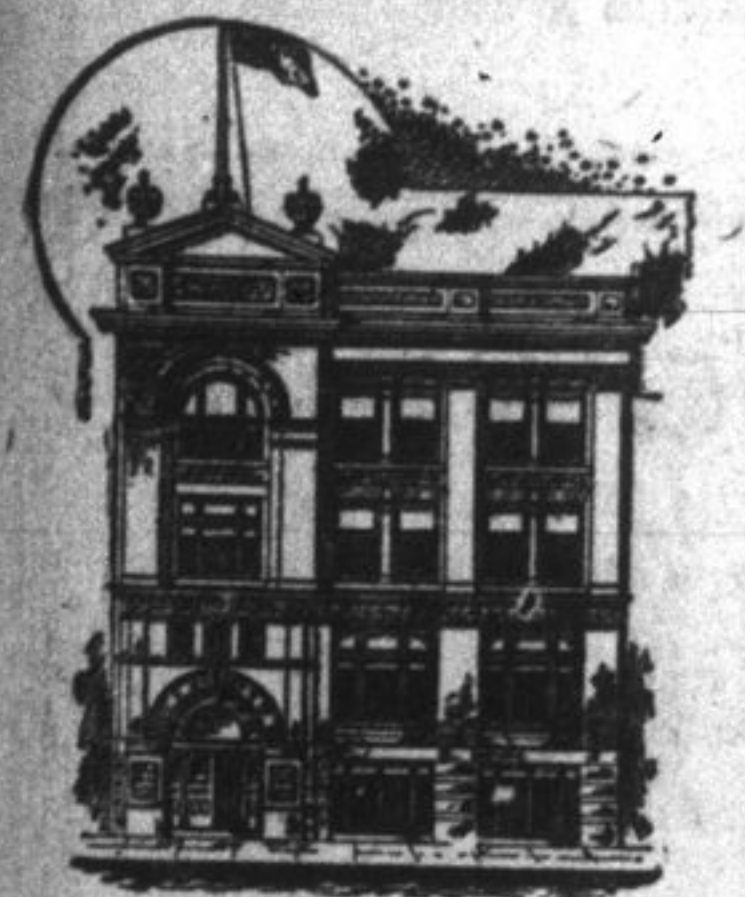


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MOTHER'S DAY.

Back in the dark days of the Civil War a little white-haired woman, a mother herself, carried her one message to the boys in blue and the boys in gray:

"Write home to mother."
The war over, the little woman, Mrs. Anna M. Jarvis, carried on her work of "Write home to mother."

Upon her death her daughter, also Anna Jarvis, took up her mother's work, founding Mother's Day and the Mother's Day International Association.

That was over 10 years ago. The date is determined each year. In the United States Mother's Day is as much a legal holiday as the 4th of July or Christmas. Almost 10 years ago Congress passed a resolution that the flag be displayed on this day in honor of Mother.

In Canada Mother's Day is observed on the second Sunday in May. It is fitting that on this day we should all remember our Mothers and endeavor to make her happy with some little gift.

The Mothers of this country have played a big part in its development. A fine tribute was paid to the pioneer Mothers of Canada by His Honor, Lt.-Gov. Cockshutt, in addressing a gathering of newspaper men in Toronto last week. He recalled the hardships which they endured and the courage and cheerfulness with which they played their part and helped to develop this country for their children. Let us all pay a tribute to our Mothers tomorrow.

The slogan of Mother's Day is—"In honor of the best mother who ever lived—the Mother of Your Heart."

A VIVID ADDRESS.

Mr. Elmer Davis, in his presidential address, at the C. M. A. gathering in Hamilton, this week, made a masterful presentation of Canadian conditions. It was a thoughtful, sympathetic and reasonable appeal. He quite dramatically presented the relation of manufacturers to agriculture; both were bound together in developing Canada. His pleas for national unity and national economy, were timely and capably handled. Mr. Davis is a vivid and impressive speaker, courageous, earnest and emphatic in tone, and chiefly so because he knows what he is talking about.

WALKING NOT POPULAR.

Ordinarily it is reserved for infants to learn to walk. However, there appears to be an imminent need for adults to learn as well, for the increasing use of motor cars and other forms of rapid transportation has lessened the use of legs until there appears to be some danger of forgetting their function in the process of locomotion.

That walking is falling into disuse is greatly to be regretted for it is exercise, diversion and assistance in health maintenance.

Any doubt that may exist in one's mind as to the unpopularity of walking may be dispelled by noting the decreasing number of pedestrians.

Walking is primarily recreational in character, for it offers changes of scene which are not too rapid for assimilation and appreciation. To one who is observant there is a never failing variety of interesting occurrences and objects for observation.

For one who is deficient in powers of observation there is an excellent

opportunity for sharpening the senses of perception.

Walking has the disadvantage of being free. Most diversions on the other hand, cannot be indulged in without acquiring some apparatus or belonging to a special organization or club. Walking also has the misfortune of being a relatively mild exercise, offering little opportunity for competition.

The public seems most appreciative of things that may only be secured by effort and expense.

Swimming, rowing, golfing, tennis, gymnastic exercises and the like are recommended to those who can take advantage of them, but often are too strenuous.

Walking, on the other hand, requiring as it does only a willing spirit and a pair of legs, may be indulged in without special preparation and with the knowledge that the exercise will act beneficially.

A NOTED JEW.

Mr. Oscar Straus, New York, is dead. He came to America as a Jewish immigrant boy and in his life contributed public services notable even in a family distinguished for its public spirit. He was the first man of his race to become an American cabinet officer; he was three times sent to Turkey as United States minister or ambassador, and went again to the Near East on a journey of conciliation at the request of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America when he was well past the scriptural term of years.

Mr. Straus found time in his busy, useful life to act in many organizations for public work of which the Civic Federation is a type, and to write a number of authoritative books upon the diplomatic service, American citizenship and the cause of religious liberty. He served as a member of the Permanent Hague Tribunal for International Justice and ended his life, as he had lived it, by his advocacy of the League of Nations as the foe of war.

Combining as he did practical shrewdness with high idealism and driving power, comments the New York World, he was in the best sense of the phrase a typical American.

YOUTH OF RIGHT TYPE.

The Toronto Globe speaks of Lieut. Desmond S. Burke, a Queen's student, as a youth of the right type. When nineteen he won the King's Prize at Bisleigh, Eng., and now at twenty-one he was awarded the Sandford Fleming scholarship at Queen's. His good work at Queen's will further attract attention to him, and the public will not be displeased if he should repeat this year in Britain his successful performance of 1924. He has set the youth of the Dominion the best kind of example, and he is the type that makes the most desirable citizen.

PIN MONEY.

The "slip over" style of women's dress has had a disastrous effect upon the world's trade in pins. Pins are still sold, but not a tenth of the amount that used to be sold when women wore belts and other such gew-gaws designed to cover the line at the waist where bodice and skirt were supposed to—but frequently did not—hitch together. In those days a hasty jab with a pin was Beauty's last resort before turning from the dressing table, her safety first for all sorts of sartorial distresses.

Away back in the fourteenth century, remarks the London Free Press, when pins were very costly affairs, the makers were allowed to sell them in open shop only on January 1st and 2nd. It was then the court ladies and city dames flocked to the depots to buy, having been first provided with money for buying by their husbands. So we have the term "pin money," meaning a woman's allowance for her own personal expenditure. When pins became cheap and common the allowance went on other things, but the term remained.

Even in pinless-to-day husbands and wives still talk in terms of "pin money."

THE CRY OF A CHILD.

It is said that through the agency of radio the cry of a child in New York can be heard in London, England. And even without the agency of a radio it may be said that the cry of a child these days is heard at a much greater distance than ever before in the history of the world, comments the Woodstock Sentinel-Review. The ears of humanity are better prepared to-day than ever before to hear a cry of distress, and there is less likelihood to-day than ever before that the cry will be unheeded. So much may be said for humanity in an age that is open to criticism from many directions; and it is a good deal to be said.

The total tax levy in Ottawa for 1926 is \$4,264,304.44. That, in other words, is what it will cost to run the corporate business of the community for the next twelve months. This sum is obtained by imposing a civic tax of 31.16 mills.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The British people may resume walking, and it will give them more time to think.

We were to have a summerless year in 1926. Well we have had a start with a springless season. Watch the other seasons!

New York is shipping gold to Canada, and, as the Vancouver Province aptly puts it, the yellow metal is more to be desired than the yellow periodicals.

The Bishop of London hopes to live to see Canada with a population of a hundred million; Gen. Booth expects to see prohibition enforced in Britain. Here's hoping!

Mr. Ross, M.P. for Moose Jaw, said something in parliament when he remarked that "Tariffs do not keep goods out, they only make them dear." Economically sound.

Hon. Winston Churchill is doing splendid work in making the British budget balance. And in doing so, regarding dealing with the aged and needy and in paying British debts there is no flinching.

The Winnipeg Free Press has a hunch that the government could open almost any Liberal seat and elect its man by quite a comfortable majority. The revised tariff has created this feeling.

Sir Esme Howard holds that the relations between the British Empire and the United States appear to him to be "practically the surest and firmest of any in the whole domain of international relations."

Rev. Mr. Woodworth says that in Japan in the movies the people enjoy the American films and absorb the western thought and breeziness. And they do not get the best of our western civilization.

Men are now beginning to pick up spirits in the matter of the color and the fabrication of suitings. They are wearing more brilliant, picturesque and in certain cases of even a romantic contour.

"The transportation of liquor is illegal; the quantity so transported does not matter," says Attorney-General Nettle, who, comments the St. Thomas Times-Journal, apparently, never had to help home a friend who had tried out that theory.

The Toronto Globe is alarmed that if Mr. Meighen does not quit the Conservative leadership, as the Montreal Star insists, "the Star may throw up its hands and refuse to be Conservative any longer. And if by any twist of fate it should try to do a somersault into the ranks of the Liberal party, the result would be serious for the Liberals."

A "remnant sale" held recently at the historic Tower of London was noteworthy in this country not because of the articles offered for sale, but because of the large number of Americans who attended as purchasers. It is likely that a good many middle-western American homes will blossom out this year with odds and ends of old English armor.

News and Views.

Mr. Bobb's Budget Speech. Vancouver Province: The finance minister's dose of optimism should be a good tonic for Canada. Assuring her of substantial accomplishments, it should encourage her to go on, and by advertising our prosperity to the world it should have the effect of bringing more people and more capital to help us develop and to prosper with us.

"God Bless Our Home." Stratford Beacon-Herald: More statistics, gathered from juvenile court records, show this: Children who come from homes where there are Christian influences, where there is regular attendance at day school, where there is an effort to discharge the full obligation of father and mother, very seldom come to court. In the majority of courts such cases are so rare as to be practically nonexistent. That means something—the crime wave. If it is to be checked, must be stopped at the start, and the home is the one place to stop it. The country is paying the price for taking down that homely old motto that used to be worked in colored yarn, "God Bless Our Home," and putting up in its place that modernism, "Let's Go."

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

By W. L. GORDON

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "I don't know nothing about it." Say "anything about it."

OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: rapine. Pronounce the a as in "rap," I as in "in," accent the p.

OFTEN MISPELLED: caricature. Not "char."

SYNONYMS: immerse, submerge, immerge, sink, dip, bury.

WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. To-day's word: IRRECONCILABLE; not to be restored to harmony. "Their different views on these questions are irreconcilable."

A SUNDAY THOUGHT

The Charm of a Smile. Cheerfulness makes a man a friend of all the world. No one can quarrel while there's a smile in his heart as well as on his countenance. To smile awhile makes all smile with you. It makes for happiness and contentment, and also makes the world to glow with brightness. When you smile you're thinking good things for others as well as for yourself. To smile makes for health, and is better than medicine any time. It makes for perpetual spring and summer time all the time, and even wants to make you feel like doing good to others before doing so for yourself. Keep smiling. Make it your regular daily dose.

THE TOWN WATCHMAN

Next week is Kingston's "clean up" week and the Watchman is forced to admit that the city is in need of such a period of community cleaning. Cellars, yards, lawns—yes and boulevards, require a lot of attention. Clean up your premises and you'll feel better. Your taxes do not cover an appropriation for someone else cleaning up for you; so get busy with rake, shovel and broom, and engage a carter to take the refuse to the city's dumping ground.

Time was when you could hardly locate a Union Jack in an American city's decorations. Now, according to President Claude Gordon of the local Rotary Club, there were nearly as many Union Jacks in the recent Rotary Club decorations in that city as there were Stars and Stripes. A more friendly spirit prevails, and it is being helped greatly by the Rotarians and Kiwanians on both sides of the border.

Provincial Constable Roy Clarke, who subdued a madman away up near Sault Ste. Marie, after a terrific rough and tumble fight, was formerly a noted boxer, and only for his wrestling and boxing ability, the madman would have finished him. Provincial constables lead no easy life. They are doing a big work in making hitherto lawless sections quite law-abiding.

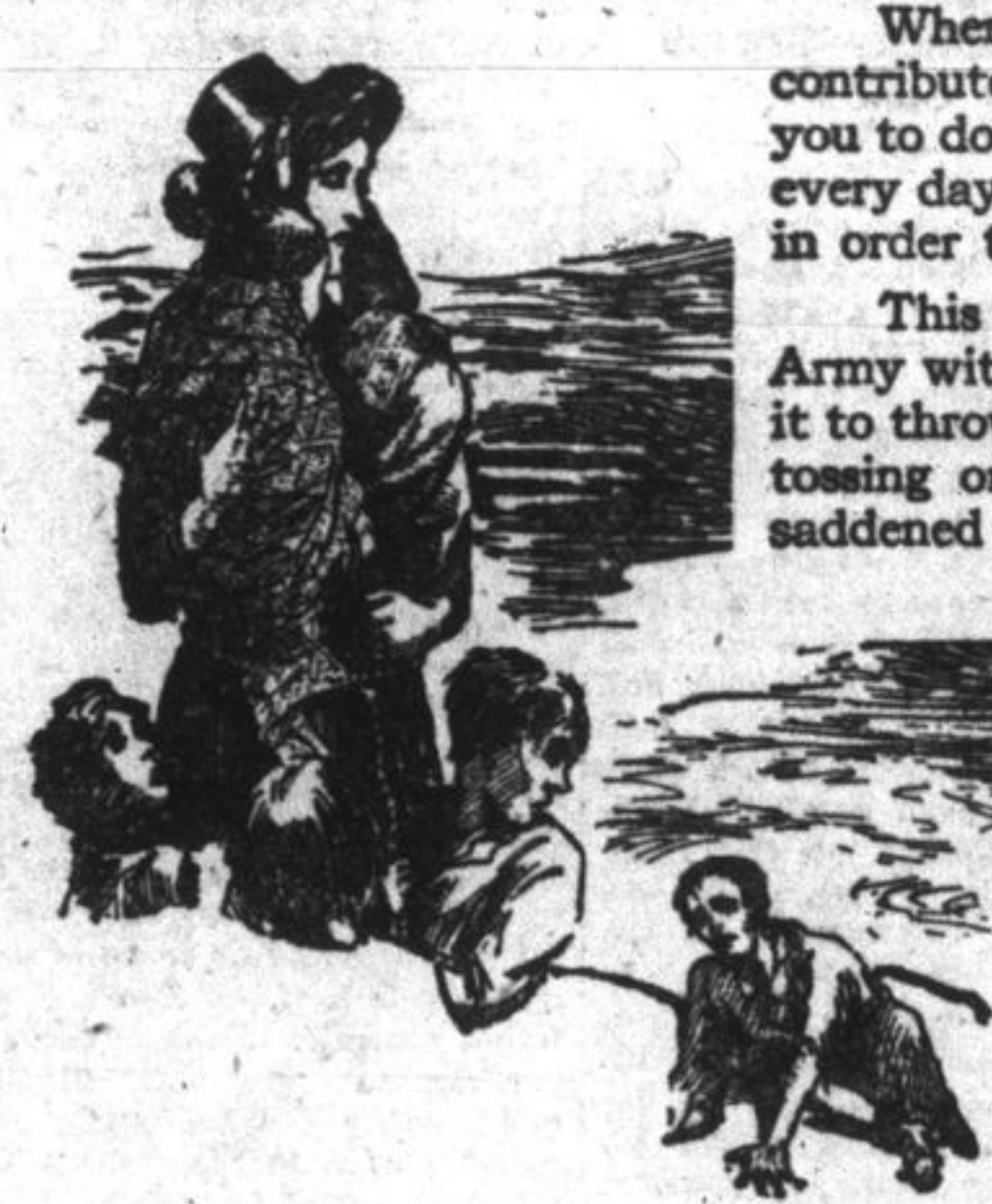
The Scotch are a long suffering and law-abiding race, but when it comes to a great industrial strike they can do their share of stone-throwing. But then was it not an old Edinburgh woman who once threw a stool at the head of a cleric in a church?

Yesterday an invitation card of a quadrille picnic held at A. P. Vanliven's grounds, Murvale, near Kingston, on Friday, June 15th, 1888, was shown to the Watchman. The secretary for the event was R. M. Vanliven, who had an able body of assistants. The card announced that the gates would be closed at 11 p.m., which shows that the folks kept earlier hours at social events than they do to-day. And yet there was a dancing programme of thirty-two numbers, which included the quadrille, waltz and gallop, ripple and Jersey, polka, waltz and Jersey and polka and gallop. One who attended the event says the modern dancing could not touch those waltzes and gallops.

An American asked the Watchman the other day if a prolonged general strike in England would affect business here. It surely would. Things we now buy from England and Scotland we would have to look for in the United States if Canada did not produce them. Just visit Kingston stores and see the quantities of English goods sold, from perfumed soap to biscuits, candies, sweaters, cloth and men's hats. Yes indeed, we buy a lot of goods from Old England.

The choosing of May 24th for Kingston's holiday this year might be better for the merchants than June 3rd. For that week-end holiday we would want to be decked out in things new, and the clothiers and hatters would no doubt do a big trade. Men's straw hats might appear earlier. In by-gone days the 24th of May brought forth warm weather attire. As far as Victoria Day is concerned, it is a holiday for the schools, the banks and the government offices, including the post office. Thus Victoria Day would be another Easter Monday with half the town holidaying and the other half not knowing what it is all about. The city council might just as well decide upon the 24th as a holiday and pass up the 3rd of June.

Your Self-Denial will help The Army to throw another "rope"



When The Salvation Army asks you to contribute to the Self-Denial Fund it is asking you to do what its devoted Soldiers are doing every day in the year—practicing Self-Denial in order to help those who need help.

This is your opportunity to help The Army with its work of love and mercy—help it to throw a rope to the women and children tossing on the rough waters of hopeless or saddened lives.

Thousands of little children are helped every year by The Army—with food, clothing and shelter. Hundreds of discouraged, sometimes despairing, mothers have been helped over their troubles by the loving, systematic work of The Salvation Army. Hundreds of men and boys, who were worse than a loss to society, are every year restored to useful honest citizenship. Help The Army in its work with your dollars.

Give what you can to the authorized collector, or send it to The Ensign Ernest Falle, 461 Princess Street Kingston, Ont.

SALVATION ARMY IN HIS NAME

Advertisement for Mutual Life of Canada. Features a portrait of a man and the text: "This Man's Insurance Cost Him Just \$9.23 per thousand".

Advertisement for COAL by Aylsworth Bros. Lists prices for Virginia Egg, Black Gem, Pocahontas, and other grades.

Advertisement for Lumber, all sizes, FOR SALE by I. Cohen & Co. Montreal Street.

Advertisement for Pure Maple Syrup by Jas. Redden & Co. Guaranteed pure—the right kind for putting up for winter use.

Advertisement for T. J. Lockhart Real Estate and Insurance Agent. Lists various properties for sale.

Advertisement for Mills Company, 79 Clarence Street. Features: THE HUMBERSTONE SHOE COMPANY, LIMITED. PREFERENCE SHARES ISSUED \$300,000. TWO-THIRDS SOLD ALREADY.

Advertisement for Dominion Securities Corporation Limited. Lists Dominion and Provincial Government Bonds, Municipal Bonds, Public Utility and Industrial Financing, Foreign Issues Quoted.

Advertisement for The McCallum Granite Co., Ltd. The name McCallum in the world of MEMORIALS is a MARK OF DISTINCTION and QUALITY.

BIBLE THOUGHT
I WILL NOT LET THEM GO, except thou bless me. Genesis 22:26.