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CITIES OF ONTARIO.

The cities of Ontario are seldom
lined up for popular inspection as to
age and number of inhabitants. In
the following list the assessed popula-
tion as given by the latest Ontario
blue books is used in nearly every
instance:

City	Date of Incor- poration	Present Popula- tion
Toronto	1834	649,429
Kingston	1846	22,659
Hamilton	1848	120,945
London	1854-5	61,867
Ottawa	1854-5	117,339
St. Catharines	1876	21,141
Brantford	1877	29,148
Bellefleur	1877-8	12,244
Georgetown	1879	18,875
St. Thomas	1881	17,327
Stratford	1885	18,425
Windsor	1892	47,177
Chatham	1895	14,182
Woodstock	1901	10,197
Niagara Falls	1904	15,936
Peterborough	1905	21,661
Fort William	1908	20,983
Port Arthur	1908	16,351
Kitchener	1912	24,280
Sarnia	1914	15,274
Galt	1915	13,880
Welland	1917	8,705
Sault Ste. Marie	1918	21,288
Owen Sound	1920	11,935
Oshawa	1924	15,545

Of the twenty-five cities only five
are east of Toronto, and Oshawa is
the only new city to be incorporated
east of the capital in the past twenty
years. Pembroke and Cornwall
are coming along nicely and will
soon be among our new cities.

CENSUS OF THE UNIVERSE.

Astronomers at the famous Mt.
Wilson observatory in California are
mapping the structure of the univer-
se in which we live and taking a
census of its stellar population. This
work to date shows:

"That there are about thirty bil-
lion stars in our universe.

"That they are arranged in a
shape like that of a watch or dou-
ble-convex lens.

"That the diameter through the
long way is about 150,000 light
years. This means that it would
take light which travels 186,000
miles a second, that many years to
go from one edge to the other of our
universe.

"That the diameter through the
short way, from top to bottom so to
speak, is about 30,000 light years.
"That our own sun with its plan-
ets which include our own earth, is
very close to the centre of our un-
iverse, more exactly, being a little to
the northeast of the centre."

DRINKING DIRT WITH WATER.

Ottawa drinking water is called
"safe" but Magistrate Hopewell has
his doubts. He drew a gallon of
water from the tap and by a chemi-
cal treatment precipitated the con-
tents with a visible result of a brown-
ish deposit about a quarter of an
inch deep covering the bottom of an
ordinary drinking glass. How invit-
ing! In ordinary talking the deposit
was plain dirt! It may have been
safe dirt but people do not like it in
the fashion given them. It is a tri-
um about people being doomed to
eat a peck of dirt before they die,
but Ottawa people seemingly have to
drink considerably more than a peck
as well.

The Ottawa Citizen in relating the
water conditions calls on the auth-
orities to get a move on and give the
people a clean water devoid of earth

BIBLE THOUGHT
NONE OF US LIVETH TO
HIMSELF, and no man
dieth to himself.—Romans 14:7.

or any other deleterious matter. The
civil authorities have a duty to per-
form rather than rest content and
let the foul conditions remain as
they have been so vividly demon-
strated.

OUR MELTING EARTH.

The earth's crust, says Professor
Joly, of the University of Dublin,
isn't getting cooler, as is commonly
supposed. It's getting hotter. And
in something like 30,000,000 or 40-
000,000 or 50,000,000 years, the
continents are going to crack open
and most of their present area is go-
ing to be submerged by the molten
lava pouring up through.

Then, says the professor, the sub-
stratum will slowly cool, and the
continents will rise up and take
shape again, vegetation and animal
life will reassert themselves, and life
will proceed as before.

The disquieting thing about it is
that this very catastrophe seems to
have happened many times in the
past, as the rock records show,
though ordinarily it has been attrib-
uted to the cooling rather than the
heating of the crust.

Still, the race may as well be
prepared as frozen. And in all prob-
ability, we won't be here to feel the
heat.

ATHLETICS AND SCHOOLS.

Ex-Ald. H. J. Childs, London, Ont.,
is opposed to spending more money
on school buildings. The results are
not obtained educationally, though
hockey, football, basketball, etc.,
all well strided. A school is not
needed for athletics, they need a
gymnasium and training quarters.
The alderman says it appears to him
that those in charge of the schools
"are more interested in training the
pupils to take their places in the
hockey team for the honor of the
schools than they are in fitting the
students to take up their life work.

This is a question which should be
considered from every angle before
the city authorities authorize the ex-
penditure of \$250,000 for a new col-
legiate.

BETTER BANANAS.

Better bananas are in sight. A
Boston house has organized a plant
for ripening the fruit under condi-
tions of temperature and moisture as
nearly as possible like those it would
have enjoyed if left to ripen in its
tropical home land. Then they are to
be put up in cartons. All of this
sounds very interesting and attrac-
tive. Making this great picnic nec-
essarily more digestible as well as
more palatable should be a fine
thing for the human system. But
won't the new process make the ban-
ana almost too aristocratic for ple-
beian consumption?

WANT A CHANGE.

The City of Montreal will in all
probability send a delegation to Ot-
tawa to interview the Minister of
Finance to ask that public utility
companies in Quebec be exempted
from paying the income tax, or at
least be given a reduction. It is
pointed out that in Ontario public
utilities, especially the Ontario Hy-
dro-Electric, were exempt from
taxes, which permitted the furnish-
ing of power at a reduced rate. In
Quebec, as these utilities were pri-
vately owned, they were taxed, and
the burden fell on the consumer.

WHAT SONGS SAY.

Music hath charms, but more
than that it may be used as a crite-
rion of the character and personality
of the singer. A study of the music
of the Tule Indians of Panama
shows how the peaceful life of these
Indians is reflected in their music.
Tules, also known as "white In-
dians" because of frequent occur-
rence of white skin, tow heads and
grey eyes among them, have songs
of the happiness of life, comments
an American writer. There are no
songs to give success in gambling,
no songs connected with the food
supply, and as they have never been
at war, they have no war songs.

Many interpretations of modern
songs have been attempted. Opinions
differ with the interpreters. How-
ever, the lightning rapidity with
which we change from one song to
another must reflect a restless spirit
in this country, a spirit which urges
us to seize upon "something new
and different," quickly tire of it and
continue the search for the unusual.

HOW TO SUCCEED.

There is a foolish idea prevalent
among worldly-wise young people
that the old-fashioned virtues are no
longer suitable as a rule of conduct
in modern life, writes the framer of
an editorial for young people in the
Hamilton Spectator's Saturday issue.
They seem to assume that though
they may have been good enough for
our unsophisticated forefathers, no
intelligent person can take any stock
in them to-day. "Honesty is the best
policy," "cheats never prosper"—
moral stand-bys like these are begin-
ning to lose their appeal, it is to be
feared. Rumors about corruption in
high places, the notion that business

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

BY W. L. GORDON
WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "it might as well be
me." Say "it might as well be I." "I," denoting the same person
as "it," is also in the nominative case.
OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: quay. Pronounce as "key."
OFTEN MISSPELLED: authorize; ze, not se.
SYNONYMS: hypocrite, impostor, pretender, cheat, dissimu-
lator.
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: INSTINCTIVE: acting or prompted by natural im-
pulse. "Animal mothers instinctively protect the life of their
young."

success is frequently the result of
sharp practice, the indifference with
which crime and law-breaking are
too often regarded—how do the
homely proverbs about holding to
the narrow path of rectitude fit in
with these ugly facts? But it is not
the proverbs that are amiss; they are
forever right. Any one who thinks
that crookedness of any sort, wheth-
er it be on the large or small scale,
can permanently succeed, is to be
pitied. Dishonesty may for a time
seem to get results—but only for a
time. The day of reckoning always
comes, sooner or later. Nothing can
come out of wrong-doing but ulti-
mate loss. Be assured, there is only
one way to achieve permanent suc-
cess of any sort, and that is by the
good old method of personal integ-
rity. Everything which weakens
character weakens also the prospect
of success. That fact is recognized
by hard-headed business men quite
as much as by sentimentalists.

Work, thrift, temperance, moral liv-
ing, honesty in every undertaking,
these are still the best rules of life.
They are eternal, and no change in
the habits or customs of society can
possibly affect their validity.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The weather is a good topic of
conversation for those who haven't
had an operation to talk about.

The reckless driver in Ontario is
to be given short shrift. When will
the good work begin?

Reformers say that training of the
young should begin at the cradle.
Absolutely true. But where are the
cradles?

Toronto anglers are advised to be
careful for a posse from Orangeville
are ranging the country in search of
a lunatic.

That there are a lot of sceptics
among motorists is shown by the
number who doubt that the "Dang-
er" sign at railroad crossings means
what it says.

Laird Stewart says: "Motoring
keeps a man exercising hands, feet
and brains." We admit the first two,
but doubt the exercise of the third
in all cases.

Girl graduates are barred from
carrying flowers on graduation day
at Toronto University. They must
say it with something else. How
would bells do?

Applesauce is one of the oldest
political salves known to civilization.
Vinegar distinctly is not. You can
catch a million voters with a few
pounds of taffy.

The Washington Star is of opin-
ion there is always a way of salva-
tion, and the Charleston is doing
wonders for muscles almost ruined
by the flivver habit.

There is talk of a radio conversa-
tion between King George and Pres-
ident Coolidge. Some say if it oc-
curs the King will have to do the
talking for Coolidge is generally as
"silent as a clam."

Toronto is a great spot for coun-
cil probes and governmental probes.
It is a good system to get big pay
for Toronto people. The probe does
not generally land persons in prison.
The courts should be relied on for
exposing wrong-doing.

In Windsor over one hundred hus-
bands are paying separation allow-
ances to their wives. "Until the law
doth us part," the Brantford Expos-
itor thinks, should be substituted in
the wedding ceremony there.

The Montreal Star says "there are
Conservatives who still think that
the Conservative party stands for
something." It does, too. It stands
for a lot of whimpering from a group
of would-be directors in Montreal, is
a Toronto Globe thrust.

A hero on whom the eyes of the
world is fixed is that French medi-
cal student, in Geneva, who, with
thigh and ribs broken and head and
face injured, took his final examina-
tions and attained his degree of M.
D. from his sick bed. The race of
hero spirits pass the torch from
hand to hand.

A Nova Scotia preacher told his
flock "that those who felt the need
of sleep should do their slumbering
at home. In these times people re-
quired to be fully awake in order to
learn of and receive any blessings
that were being offered." We can see
a lot of people justifying themselves
in sleeping in on Sunday morning.

"Stay on the farm," is the advice
of Hon. John S. Martin, Ontario
minister of agriculture, to the young
farmers of this province. "There are
just as great opportunities on the
farm as in the city, and in the ma-
jority of cases, a young man will
reach a competency sooner." Good
advice!

Quebec Viewpoint

La Patrie thinks that an excellent
opportunity presents itself to obtain
the issue of bilingual postage
stamps.

"Mr. P. A. Seguin, member for
L'Assomption-Montcalm, asked dur-
ing the course of the Budget debate,
if it would not be opportune, on the
occasion of the sixtieth anniversary
of Confederation, to issue bilingual
postage stamps. The Government
has not, as yet, replied to that ques-
tion but the friends of the French
language are hopeful that the wishes
of the Province of Quebec will short-
ly be acceded to.

"During the week devoted to the
protection of the forest, the Post-
masters at Montreal, Quebec and
Three Rivers had the following
words stamped on all letters in
French and English: 'Help to pre-
vent forest fires.' In the other parts
of the country these words were
stamped in English only.
"If there were no complaints,"
added Mr. Seguin, "why does not the
Ministry take advantage of the new
issue of postage stamps shortly to
be made, to make them bilingual
and thus place the two official lan-
guages of the country into practical
use."
"If the French-Canadian Members
will to have a bilingual postage-
stamp, an excellent opportunity
presents itself to realize their desire.
Already we have a bilingual cus-
toms stamp."

A Pat on the Back
Over Your Painting

You can't help a little prideful chest expansion when neighbor John steps into
your house, gives you newly painted job the up and down, and says, "Fine!
where'd you get that Enamel?"

And then that grand and glorious feeling, when friend wife throws you that
gratful, understanding look; settles down to some real housekeeping and cooks up
a meal that lets you know that everything is going to be all right.

Sure you did it—with your own little brush.
But, honest now, a good deal of it was due to your wise choice of
FLO-GLAZE ENAMEL—at least it helped out a whole lot.

And now you know you can do it again.
You've got a pat on the back for this job. There's a whole lot more coming to
you, because pretty nearly everything in the house can be given an enamel finish
with



This ad. is just a few friendly little memos to let you know what can be
done with FLO-GLAZE ENAMELS in your home.

Any interior surface can be finished or re-finished with FLO-GLAZE
ENAMELS—floors, woodwork, furniture, plumbing, toys. You don't have to
stretch your pocket book buying a lot of different specialties for different uses.
FLO-GLAZE ENAMEL covers them all. Your only variation will be in selecting
different colors.

Oh yes! floors and everything! It stands to reason that if an enamel will
stand the racket of floor wear it will stand up on any other surface.

The gloss of FLO-GLAZE ENAMEL won't exactly put your mirrors out of
business, but it has a gloss that gives the clearest reflection of anything in the
enamel line. And it holds that gloss. FLO-GLAZE ENAMEL throws in a lot of
other uses just for good measure. Veranda furniture, garden tools, and a lot of
other semi-outdoor implements that receive more or less indoor protection can
be enamelled with FLO-GLAZE.

Now then—positively no! When it comes to using this enamel for the outside
of your house or veranda floor. We might as well put you straight on this now.
FLO-GLAZE PAINT and FLOOR PAINT are intended for that purpose.

You may wonder then why we recommend FLO-GLAZE ENAMEL for
boats, canoes, automobiles, buggies, and farm implements, but we do, and sell a
lot of it for that purpose. In this connection, however, you must consider that all
of these articles, while in use, are continually changing direction. Their ex-
posure is not fixed as with a house, and when not in use are usually cleaned and
housed for protection.

Now, we've only told you a little of what we know about FLO-GLAZE. What
you are interested in is knowing what it will do for you. That's fair enough. Just
call up your nearest FLO-GLAZE dealer (there's lots of them through the coun-
try) and get him to send over a quart or pint or half-pint. Try it out, keeping in
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the label, start in, and see if we haven't been rather modest in our claims.

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