

The Braggart

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The braggart is a human puff ball equipped with self starter. His motive power is compressed air, and he is able to make rapid headway until interrupted by an eyewitness who can testify to the facts.



Braggarts have existed ever since man quit climbing trees and took to wearing the belted Norfolk jacket. Among the world's greatest braggarts are those who never got fifteen feet away from the commissary department, and then came home to describe how it felt in the Hornet's Nest at Gettysburg. The Union soldier who saw real service and returned from the front full of honestly earned glory and a scintilla of rheumatism is the last man to brag about his part in the great struggle. Braggarting is caused by a rush of conceit to the head, where it is mixed with the imagination and ejected in the form of sound waves. Some business men are able to brag with so

much finesse that the bank never calls in their notes until the receiver's sale is half over. As a rule, the more a man brags about his day's sales the less show there is for his creditors.

The braggart is very often an inoffensive person who, by long practice, has trained himself to believe what he says. This is the hardest kind to deal with, as he never brags about anything that happened during the present generation. When a braggart brings his narrative down to week before last, he generally aims to hit the truth at least once in every chapter, for fear of being exposed before he has time to brag up.

It is a melancholy truth that men brag more than women, although women have fully twelve times as much to brag about. If the average man should take a family of seven small children, rear them to the supporting age on the proceeds of a mortgage with the scrub brush, the chances are he would brag about it on his death bed and want the fact engraved upon his tombstone in letters that could be read from the street. This is another reason why a woman should not be allowed to have the ball.

REPLENISH YOUR BLOOD IN THE SPRING

Just now you are feeling "out of sorts"—not your usual self. Quite exhausted at times and cannot devote real energy to your work. Sleep does not rest you and you wake up feeling "all tired out." Perhaps rheumatism is flying through your muscles and joints, or may be your skin is disfigured by rashes, boils or pimples. Headaches, twinges of neuralgia, fits of nervousness, irritability of temper and a disordered stomach often increase your discomfort in the spring.

The cause—winter has left its mark on you. These troubles are signs that your blood is poor and watery, that your nerves are exhausted. You must renew and enrich your blood at once restore tone to your tired nerves, or there may be a complete breakdown. The most powerful remedy for these spring ailments in men, women and children is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, because these Pills cleanse bad blood and strengthen weak nerves.

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MANDATE TO NIAGARA FALLS

Vaccination For Smallpox Must Take Place, Otherwise a Quarantine on Entire Town.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Friday, April 4.—Confronted with the threat of the provincial health authorities to quarantine this city at noon tomorrow if the orders of the District Officer of Health were not carried out, the City Council at a late hour last night decided to issue a general compulsory vaccination order and name a committee to build two quarantine hospitals.

The meeting was called and this action taken following the arrival of an emphatic mandate from the provincial health authorities and backed up by the Ontario Government. The telegram was received late yesterday and read as follows:

"Mayor Cole, Niagara Falls:—Please take notice that if your Council does not forthwith carry out the orders of the District Officer of Health respecting smallpox there the Provincial Board will quarantine your city at twelve noon to-morrow."

"J. W. S. McCULLOUGH, Chief Officer."

To Isolate City. It was a notice to the City Council at its meeting last night that unless the orders of Dr. D. A. McClellan, the District Officer of Health,

were complied with and a proclamation issued ordering all the unvaccinated inhabitants of the city, men, women and children, to appear before the authorities for vaccination the city would be absolutely isolated. No person would be permitted to enter or leave; no trains could discharge or take on passengers; the big international bridge across the Niagara would be closed to traffic.

Vaccination Unpopular. While submitting to the requirements of the authorities, a number of aldermen and many citizens are entirely opposed to compulsory vaccination, and signs of this feeling were evident at the council meeting. When Aldermen Pitt, said that if he were compelled to submit to vaccination he would make sure that the instruments used were sterilized, he was cheered to the echo by the 200 citizens who had crowded the council chamber to hear the discussion.

Following the resignation Wednesday of T. E. Watson, M. Wimberton and City Health Officer F. W. E. Wilson, three of the five members of the City Board of Health, the Council last night appointed Dr. Harris Logan as City Health Officer, and H. W. Hopkins, druggist, and B. V. Bradford, merchant, to fill the positions so suddenly vacated. The newly appointed health officer has already passed a recommendation through the council that complete isolation of every infected house be carried out and that all premises be thoroughly inspected at once for any signs of infection. This stringent action really means a great campaign of isolation, vaccination and fumigation against the disease which has gained such a hold here.

The newly organized board will get into action at once, and a meeting will likely be held to-day.

During the meeting last night startling revelations were made as to the apparent unconcern with which the epidemic is treated by some citizens. At the Stamford Park Fair Grounds smallpox patients were alleged to have led a free and easy life, and little restriction, if any, was placed upon their movements.

Books, it was said, were brought from the Public Library by friends read by patients, then returned, to be put into circulation in other parts of the town.

Parks Board

The Ontario Government, through the Minister of Education, has given another 200 feet of land off the O.L.B. grounds to be added to Dufferin Park, but a condition is named in the gift this time which will prevent the park being used for anything but playground purposes. In other words, it must be open at all times for the boys. Mr. E. L. Gould, chairman of the board, was particularly pleased with the announcement, which was made by Mr. W. S. Brewster, M.P.P., and it was the general opinion of the board that the land should be accepted on the conditions named. In fact, Mr. E. L. Gould, the present chairman, fought strenuously against the proposal to hand over any part of Dufferin Park for bowling purposes when the idea was first launched.

Mr. Brewster's letter announced in reference to the application of the board for 200 feet extra ground at the O.L.B. Dufferin Park that the Government would make the grant providing the ground was kept

open for the boys. He had seen the Minister of Education, Hon. Dr. Syme, who agreed to have the land leased in trust to the Parks Board only on condition that it be open for the boys. The extra space of ground will be 204x200 feet in dimensions.

Chief Brant Memorial. The grant of land on Gilkison street for the memorial to Chief Joseph Brant was accepted by the commissioners under terms stipulated by the Board of Works, that the land be returned if not used for memorial purposes.

S. O. E. Request. The Sons of England wrote Secretary Hawkins stating that the afternoon of May 24 for their proposed gala day would not be adequate. The society desired the whole of the day at the park, but the board had granted use thereof to the ball club for the morning, which, it was pointed out, was an annual fixture between Brantford and Hamilton.

Asks for Increase. Mr. J. C. Waller, the efficient superintendent of the board, asked to have his salary increased to \$900 per year. His request was referred to the finance committee. It was the general opinion of the board that Mr. Waller was entitled to the amount asked for. He has been up to the present engaged on a different salary basis, receiving only \$600 from the board and having to do extra work outside.

Whose Fence Broke? Mr. R. S. Brooks, who lives next to the Bell homestead at Tutela, asked to have the fence fixed up, as he did not desire to have his cattle trespass upon the Bell property. There was some question among the members of the board as to whose fence it was. Apparently the good part belonged to Mr. Brooks and the bad part to the board.

Good-bye, Crystal Palace! Supt. Waller reported that the Good Friday windstorm took off the roof from the south wing of Crystal Palace, Agricultural Park. The damage will probably mean that the entire building will be pulled down.

A Request. The Alexandra Athletic Club, through Jack Sloan, asked for the construction of a cinder track around the ball park at Agricultural Park. The club also asked for the use of the large track at the park every Friday evening during the summer. The grounds committee will settle the question.

Members Present. The members present were E. L. Gould (chairman), William Glover, Geo. S. Matthews, Secretary Hawkins and Superintendent Waller.

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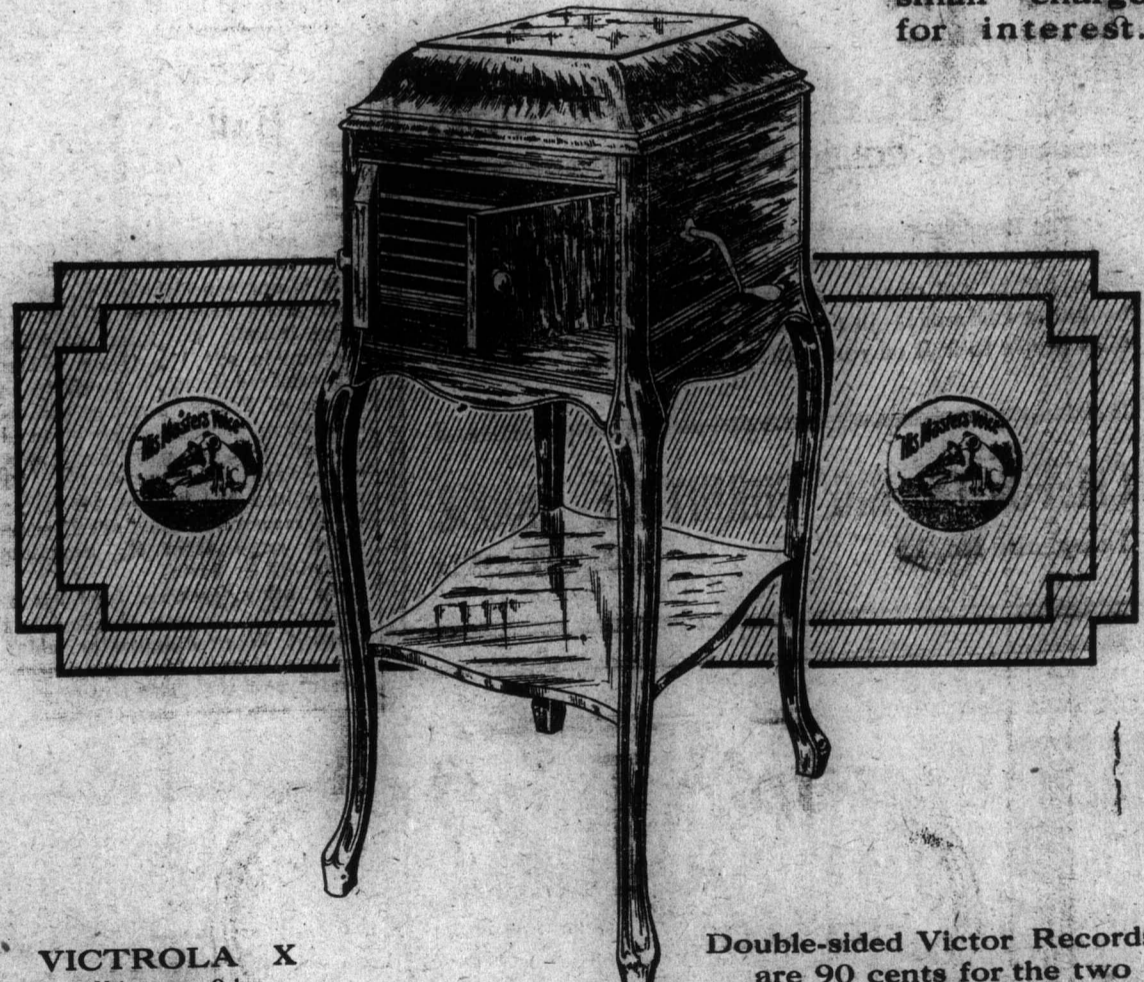
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