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Looking Over Hospitals.

DEPLORING the fact that hospitals of Ontario have not reached the standards of efficiency and service attained by similar institutions of other provinces, Dr. M. T. MacEachern, director of hospital standardization for Canada, attributes this fact to lack of effort on the part of those operating them.

However, London's hospital escapes this criticism, because Dr. MacEachern, in an interview with THE ADVERTISER following an inspection conducted last week, pronounced Victoria Hospital as one possessing the best-known case recording system, and a model in all respects.

He further states that he will urge other Ontario hospitals to stimulate their operating methods to reach that goal of efficiency which he found at London.

Regarding the hospital situation in Canada, Dr. MacEachern, whose statement is self-explanatory, says: "Generally speaking, there has been a marvellous advance made in the hospitals of Canada during the past two or three years to improve the service to the sick, and the program as laid down by the hospital standardization movement is being generally accepted and carried out in all the provinces with the exception of Ontario.

"Last year inspections showed that only about 35 per cent of the hospitals of Ontario of 100 beds and over were standard institutions. This year, from my survey to date, I do not believe the showing will be much better. In 1921 Ontario stood second lowest in per cent of standard hospitals on this continent.

"This is most regrettable when we all regard Ontario as the banner province of Canada, and I regard it with feeling and regret because it is my native province. Such a condition is not due always to lack of good facilities and equipment, but due to lack of effort on the part of those running hospitals and the doctors attending.

"Any hospital not entering the approved list on October 23 of this year can hardly hold up its head with the full confidence of the public, who are now reading the published list in the Hospital Blue Book."

Victoria Hospital is on the approved list for 1921, graded by the American College of Surgeons, as represented by Dr. MacEachern in his inspections, and he has intimated that this institution will remain on that list for at least another year.

Dr. MacEachern has enjoyed eleven years' experience as a hospital superintendent, at present being superintendent of Vancouver General Hospital, and director-general in Canada for the Victorian Order of Nurses. He knows whereof he speaks, and has pointed out the lamentable state of affairs in hospitals in Ontario.

His criticism is constructive, because he has indicated a remedy. It is now up to the objects of his criticism to get busy and, accepting the solution in good part, place Ontario in the ranks where she belongs, with hospital efficiency as a criterion.

Is Romance Dead?

THE ARABIAN desert is the latest victim of "the age of machinery," the steam-roller that crushes romance wherever it invades.

From the land of the caliphs comes a printed circular, announcing that motor buses now are running regularly between Baghdad and Aleppo. The route is 560 miles, the trip five days, along the historic Euphrates valley.

Desert bandits, who raid camel caravans? The shrewd general manager of the motor lines has taken care of them. The raiding sheiks have been bought off. In consideration of "a lump sum down," they guarantee not to molest the gasoline caravan.

Who wants to take a trip through the desert under such conditions, no chance of danger, no thrills?

A tourist to the Philippine Islands writes that he penetrated the jungles of Mindanao to see the head-hunters in their natural state.

Alas and alack, he found the head-hunters selling picture postcards of their trophies. The young bucks have stopped carrying their enemies' heads on poles. The old men sit in the council house, and, observing the change, lament that the world is going to the dogs.

Campers returning from fishing trips in points well north report that most of the Indians they met used safety razors.

One of the "Hercule Redmen" confessed that he had lost \$400 in a bucketshop crash.

We are being disillusioned. Next summer we will find the Indians exchanging home-brew recipes and manhandling their nails.

Even STEPHANSON, invading the land of perpetual ice, found that one of his greatest problems was agreeing on the wage to be paid his two Eskimo guides.

It is not so many years since romance and adventure abounded in the average Canadian only a few hundred feet behind his cabin in the forest clearing.

Something is lacking in life now, and that something is the natural setting for romance. Industry has killed it. The popular craving for departed romance probably explains

the phenomenal sale of such books as "Outline of History," "The Story of Mankind" and "Outline of Science." The readers are after embalméd thrills rather than knowledge.

Oust the Agitators.

A POLISH radical, JOSEPH KOWALSKI, was ordered deported from United States because he was considered a nuisance and a menace. His idea was that they should have the same form of government in United States that they had in Russia.

Later on he was arrested for not having stayed out of the country, and his explanation was: "He was sick and tired of Russia."

In Canada we have radicals and nation-smashers who want to tag bolshevism on this country. They are not content to come and live here and work here.

They make a better living as agitators than they can as laborers, hence their role as agitators.

Canada tries to grant freedom of thought to the people of the Dominion, but there are well-defined limits past which we have no license to go. The Canadian people are satisfied with the form of government in this country—it has its defects, of course, but that can be said of any system.

Outsiders who come here are not called upon or requested to preach the doctrines of LENING and TROTSKY. When they persist in so doing it might be excellent business to head them back to Russia, where in 24 hours they can have a stomach full of the stuff they want to dump on us.

Making Folks Beautiful.

HOW BUSINESS does change. An old harnessmaker was relating to us a few days ago how his trade had been shot to pieces by the coming of the car, the tractor and the truck. Every farmer used to have a good driver, a rubber-tired buggy and a set of harness in keeping. Then there was harness for all the other horses that never got a chance at the fancy outfit. But this is gone and the demand for harness has fallen away below par.

One critic claims that the business of making women beautiful has come right up to the front on this continent. United States leads Canada, of course, but even in this country it is getting to be a business of no small proportions. The quantity of rouge sold every year would tint the Atlantic Ocean a deep pink clear out to the three-mile limit. The powder used in a single season would give a creamy effect to the face of nature for an area of 1,327 square knots. For the first time in the nation's history there are more beauty shops than saloons. It has become so that a dame does not feel dolled up until she has been marcelled, rouged and manicured. If her hair, her complexion and her hands have had full attention a certain serenity and satisfaction comes over her.

There are plastic surgeons where a woman can spend a month in having her face remodeled. She can have all the kinks and wrinkles taken out and she can take on the lines and complexion of a chicken. After grandma has been through a course of sprouts she looks like a flapper. Some of the work they turn out is wonderful.

The beautifiers have a general association, and they have conventions and meetings for the purpose of exchanging ideas and gathering information. The section known as the National School of Cosmeticians is now assembled in convention in Chicago, and there are representatives from various countries. There are delegates from South America, Panama and Hawaii. There are experts from the capitals of Europe. One of them is PROF. FRANCOIS MARCEL, inventor of the wavy coiffure which bears his name.

The dome specialists threaten to marcel the world. They are marcelling the thatches of merchant princes and kings of finance, as well as of debutantes. Likewise, little children are being marcelled. The wave can be made to endure a long time, and may be the simplest way of disposing of the kid's hair. There is so much of this going on that they may yet get around to marcelling the dog. A bald-headed guy is missing a whole lot. At that, he can get a ready-made marcel hood.

The convention of specialists is also deciding on next season's complexion. The peroxide blonde is entirely out of the running just now. She may not think so, but the professor insists.

So don't worry, if, perchance, they stuck a little knob on the end of your nose you can have it changed into an honest-to-goodness Grecian sniffer. If you are of the pug-nose type, a short course will make you have a snout as true as a straight edge. Forget the old habit of wearing a clothespin on your nose to make it small—that's slow and away out of date. If your ears stick out as though they had been pelted at your head, you can have them set back a few degrees in a half hour. And, speaking of ears, they're starting to appear again on the side of the ladies' heads after an absence of three or four years. We've never taken to wearing rings in our nose yet, but why not?

Vapidity of vanities—all is vanity—pass the powder puff!

LITTLE 'TISERS

It is a fact a man who leads a double life gets through twice as quick.

These are stirring times, the only trouble being that some of us don't stir hard enough.

It's too bad some person doesn't invent a curry-comb with a handle

a little longer than a cat's hind leg.

New York says fall styles follow the Grecian lines. And this winter we may be following the Eskimo lines.

Some of the girls coming back from summer resorts have a far-away look and a picture postcard every day.

We suppose the woman who used to horsewhip her rival will now have to hit her on the head with an auto crank.

Editorial writers and paragraphers don't go on strike because they know there's too many people who could do the job better.

Germany wants a moratorium declared on her war debts. After elections successful candidates want the same thing on their promises.

They are talking of making the Toronto-Hamilton highway wider. If they made it a mile wide some of the drivers would still be making head-ons or ditches.

A Windsor man won \$25 in a court action, and complained that his award would no more than pay his lawyer. Said man didn't know how lucky he really was.

One writer has called the ex-kaiser's memoirs a joke, and he is being sued for libel. The man who wrote them is no joke. He is the world's greatest tragedy.

In a Spokane court a man charged with theft claimed he stole to get money to have his fiancée's appendix removed. And yet some say the days of chivalry are all gone.

Edmonton has a lot of poor, hungry cattle, because that district has no feed for them. Too bad it's so far to the green pastures of Ontario. Yes, Mr. Westerner, green in the middle of August.

The rain is falling somewhere in Kansas. After a week's steady down-pour a local paper says: "It not only rained on the just and unjust alike, but after it got through with them it rained just any old place."

The coal strike at Sudbury is declared to be anthracite. Well, that's getting closer to anthracite. At least, they've got the first six and the last three letters right. Some day we'll fix up the middle and have anthracite of our own.

France is determined to make Germany pay. France is now more heavily taxed than the nation that lost the war. What would have happened had Germany won? Would there be talk of cancellation? Positively no.

An Arkansas woman left \$16,000 for the keep of her three dogs. On the death of the dogs the money is to go to an orphan asylum. It should be a simple matter for the court to arrange the death of the dogs in the interest of the children.

There's something strange about all these stalwart westerners refusing to have anything to do with the wheat board. H. W. Woon, president of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, and JAMES STUART of Winnipeg, have both refused to touch it, despite the fact that they appeared at Ottawa for days in favor of such a board. It's within their reach, and they claim they want it. Why, then, are they so tardy about wading in?

NOAH'S POETRY

CLINKERS.

I went to clean my furnace room, the dirt in there was one foot through, the whole surroundings of the joint was touched and toned in spider hue.

Yes, there was rubbish on the grate, and there were ashes on the floor, and there was stuff around as well that I had chucked three months before.

Some clinkers still was'nt restin' there, with careful hand they're stowed away, quite unaware of all the fuss they'd make out in the world today.

Oh, come, you clinkers, gather round, and in my coal bin make your nest, and holler out in such a way you'll gather 'round you all the rest. Last winter we would hardly think, not you nor I nor any man, to bend our backs a notch or two to save 'em from the garbage can.

But now, oh, clinker, come with us, and in our humble hut abide, pick any room around the joint, and them will vacate what's inside.

And unto thee we'll sing a song, and unto thee we'll spin a rhyme, if you, oh, clinker, stick around and keep the frost from off our spine.

—NOAH.

LEARN A WORD EVERY DAY

TODAY'S word is—DECALOGUE. It's pronounced —dek-a-log, with accent on the first syllable.

It means—the Ten Commandments, given by God to Moses (Exodus 20:1-18) on Mount Sinai.

It came from—two Greek words, meaning, respectively, "ten" and "speech, to speak, to say."

It's used like this—"Considering how many things there are to do that the Decalogue doesn't mention, it's surprising what a preference most people show for the acts this famous code prohibits."

Cheaper Power

DURING the war there were to be seen in Great Britain a number of motor wagons carrying enormous gas bags on the roof. These bags were filled with ordinary town gas, which was used as a source of power in place of petrol—then exceedingly scarce. The results were so far successful that experiments were made afterwards in the storing of town gas under pressure of cylinders, but apparently these experiments have not led to any very satisfactory result. At any rate the only substitute for petrol to which serious attention is now being given is suction gas, which is produced by drawing air and steam through heated fuel such as anthracite, coke, charcoal, wood refuse, brown coal or peat.

Petrol, benzol and alcohol fuels are still high enough in price to encourage suction gas development, and a leading British firm has put on the market a very well constructed three-ton lorry driven by suction gas. The steam for the suction gas produced is made in a separate generator heated by the exhaust gas from the engine. The producer itself forms part of the chassis and is neatly accommodated in a light steel box at the side of the driver's cab, where it is easily accessible for inspection. Its weight has been reduced to the lowest possible limit.

After being generated, the gas passes along a pipe to the scrubber, becoming cool on the way. The scrubber removes the tar, and the gas then passes direct to the engine, where it mixes with air and drives the engine in the usual way. Tests made with this three-ton lorry show that when using anthracite it ran at an average speed of 12 miles per hour at a working cost a little below one-third that of petrol. This vehicle is specially designed for use in countries where petrol is scarce, but where various types of solid fuel are available at a reasonable price.

Our Own Country

CANADA'S INCOME TAX.

Q.—What does the Dominion income tax yield?
A.—The Dominion income tax yielded \$46,881,806 in 1920-21, from 184,257 persons, including 16,652 farmers who paid \$611,735; 19,395 professional men paid \$2,642,385; 11,621 employees working for salaries and wages paid \$11,689,521; 3,277 manufacturers paid \$8,217,730, and 18,858 others paid \$11,823,563.

WOMEN M. P.'S

Q.—Are there any women members of parliament or legislatures in Canada?

A.—There are several women legislators in Canada (1922), namely, five in legislatures: Mrs. Ralph Smith, British Columbia; Mrs. McKinnay, Alberta; Miss McAdam, Alberta; Mrs. Nellie McClung, Alberta; Mrs. Rodgers, Man.; Miss McPhail, House of Commons.

Q.—Who wrote the "Anne" books of Prince Edward Island?

A.—Mrs. Ewan Macdonald, "L. M. Montgomery," is the author of the popular "Anne of Green Gables" books.

AREA OF CANADA AND UNITED STATES.

Q.—Which is the larger—Canada or the United States?

A.—Canada is larger than the United States by 111,920 square miles.

SOLDIERS' LAND SETTLEMENT.

Q.—Canada is aiding returning soldiers to become farmers. To what extent has this been done?

A.—The Canadian Government is helping returned soldiers to settle on the land. Up to September, 1921, over 27,000 had been so placed; loans of \$85,000,000 being made as aid; 415 have repaid their loans in full.

SON DID THE RUNNING.

Extravagant Son—Of course, I keep a running account at my tailor's. Irrate Father—Running account? He tells me it has been standing for eighteen months.

DR. BISHOP'S ADVICE

GERM A PLANT—NO BUG

BY DR. R. H. BISHOP.



SK the average person what a germ is. If he attempts to answer at all he probably will say it's a little animal that will make you sick if he gets into your system.

Germs are not little animals. They are tiny plants, the smallest living things known. They are sometimes called bacteria, or microbes. You might have some idea of the size of a germ if you could take a grain of sand and split it into a million pieces. Of course, some germs are larger than others, but the largest cannot be seen without the aid of a powerful microscope.

Millions of germs can exist in a drop of water without even crowding.

Germs do not live in out of the way places. Except in the polar regions, in the middle of the ocean, and on tops of high mountains, they are present everywhere. They are on our bodies, our clothing, in our food—everything we see or touch. The reason we are not sick all the time, or most of the time, is that comparatively few of these germs cause disease; also because most of us are strong enough to resist the few that get into the bodies.

Bacteria multiply by simply breaking apart. Soon the two parts are full-sized germs and each itself separates, so that it is easy to see how quickly millions of germs can be produced. Cold stops their growth, but they begin to grow again when they become warm.

Boiling kills them. Doctors and nurses boil their instruments and dressings to kill the germs, and do not handle them until ready for use. One of the chief reasons why food is boiled before canning is to kill the bacteria. Then it is put into airtight cans, so that no more germs can reach it.

25 YEARS AGO TODAY

HERE WE HAVE ITEMS OF LOCAL AND DISTRICT INTEREST AS RECORDED IN THE ADVERTISER OF 1897.

AUGUST 14, 1897.

Mr. Fitz Odell and Mr. John Scott have been appointed train inspectors by Mr. J. W. Leonard, general superintendent of the C. P. R. They will have the general oversight of all trains and will be on the road most of the time. Mr. Odell's territory will be west and that of Mr. Scott east of Havelock.

Mrs. John Darch of 379 Talbot street and her son, Mr. John K. Darch, arrived home this morning, after an extended trip to California and the Pacific coast. They left home six weeks ago on the Christian Endeavor excursion and made the trip west by way of Chicago, Denver and Salt Lake City, returning by British Columbia and the C. P. R. to Fort

READ YOUR CHARACTER

By Digby Phillips.

NO. 295—SELECTING CALMNESS.

Calmness is a characteristic which may be regarded from several different angles. To some extent it is a natural characteristic; and again it is in greater or less degree the logical outgrowth of other conditions. The naturally calm or placid temperament is indicated by the rounded handwriting couples, in most cases, when the attribute is pronounced, by vertical or backward writing.

Calmness, however, is often in large measure the result of self-restraint, and in such cases you will note that the subject writes a small hand.

There is also a kind of calmness and assurance which comes from a feeling of self-reliance, the kind of calmness which marks the naturally capable person. In this case you will find that the person in question writes a vertical, angular hand.

And again you have the kind of calmness which is the result of nothing but a lazy disposition, and a mentality that is not geared to high speed. In such cases as these you will find that one of the signs of the calmness is the tendency of the person to dot the letter "t" to the left.

Tomorrow—First Analysis.

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JEST

AS YET.

Celia—Let me see! Louie has been divorced four times, hasn't she?

Maud—Only three, I think; but then, I haven't seen the evening papers.

LOTS OF BREEZE.

Knick—They are a breezy family. Knick—You bet. He is a baseball fan, his wife is a movie fan and the daughter is a radio fan.

HIS MONEY'S WORTH.

Diner—Isn't this steak pretty small?
Waitress—Never mind. You'll be a long time eating it.

THE DANGER OF FIRE.

I wife (away from home)—Horror! I forgot to turn off the electric iron!
Husband—It's all right. Nothing will burn long; I forgot to turn off the

ASK PREMIER KING TO ATTEND IRISH PICNIC

More Attractions Being Added For Big Event at Port Stanley on August 17.

President E. S. Little of the Irish Benevolent Society has extended an invitation to Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, premier of Canada, to attend the banquet of the society in the L. and P. S. Cafeteria at Port Stanley Thursday evening next, when the annual picnic is held, and there is a strong probability that the premier will be able to accept.

Today special committees of the I. B. S. have been canvassing the city for new members, it being the ambition of the officers to this year have the largest membership in the history of the organization. A membership ticket entitles the holder to a ticket for the banquet, badges, etc.

Secretary Coughlin has reported to President Little that every committee has practically completed its part of the arrangements for the Irish picnic, and that the greatest crowd ever seen at the port is to be expected if the weather is fine.

An added feature this year will be an Irish sing-song at the free movies at night. There the people will join with well-known vocalists in all the old-time Irish favorites, as well as a number of the latest and most popular Irish songs. Come down and hear them sing: "Come Back to Erin," "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms," "Dear Little

The 5 o'clock hour
when old friends gather is made or marred by the quality of the tea the hostess serves. She delights to hear the bits of praise that reach her ears above the talk and laughter.

So many successful hostesses serve RED ROSE ORANGE PEKOE TEA because of its rich amber color, its fragrance and the flavor that so distinguishes it from ordinary teas.

The best grocers everywhere sell it always in the sealed package: 43c per ½ lb.; 85c per lb.

THE world is working at this moment to supply your wants. Every day of your life you must eat, wear clothing, use furniture, enjoy recreation, seek health. Most of your money is spent for things you need; weigh your expenditure intelligently. Read the paper.

The advertisements in your own daily newspaper safeguard your purse. They are the traffic police of the world's commerce, turning the stream of human earnings into well charted highways.

Manufacturers and merchants in their advertisements tell you the latest news about the world's efforts to keep you in health, happiness and comfort. They stake their success, their reputation and their pride on the truth of these public claims they make for their products. The fate of an advertised article is in your hands and the maker knows that it is. He must back his statements with honest values or be smothered under competition.

Unless you read the advertisements in your daily newspaper you overlook that half of the day's news which tells you what is being made to keep you in comfort and luxury, not ten years from now but today.

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The Natural Wealth of Canada

Grain

THE Northwest was a barren waste only forty-odd years ago. Today, in a thousand-mile belt across the three prairie provinces, is one of the greatest grain-producing areas in the world. For the year 1921 the total value of the wheat, oats, barley and rye produced throughout Canada was estimated by the Government at \$432,984,750.

The Bank of Montreal has a service adapted to the needs of the farmer and a system of branches reaching to all districts.

BANK OF MONTREAL
Established over 100 years

HOOSIER
—the Kitchen Cabinet that saves miles of steps

Did You Buy Your Hoosier On Saturday?

The Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet Club opened last Saturday. If you didn't get in on it that day, NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT. Don't put it off another day.

The Club Plan, with its easy payments, makes it possible for every housekeeper to have one. Remember, only \$1.00 will put the cabinet you want in your home, and small weekly payments will care for the balance. Only a limited number of the Hoosier Beauties to be sold, and the price is reduced \$18.00 to \$20.00 each.

Think of the many advantages in labor saving, time saving and food saving that a Hoosier will bring. "It saves miles of steps," is a very true saying. There are over forty labor-saving devices on the Hoosier. When you buy a Hoosier you buy the best.

COME IN AND MAKE YOUR CHOICE TODAY. DON'T PUT IT OFF. DELAYS ARE DANGEROUS.

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