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Why They Marry Chinese.

Within the last few days there have been three weddings celebrated in Toronto, in each case Chinamen marrying white girls. The minister who has performed the ceremonies has some interesting comment on the reason for such marriages. He is frank enough in giving his own opinion, for he states "personally I object to such unions myself, as the experiment is too dangerous."

Going outside his own prejudices, and looking for the causes for these three marriages, the minister concludes they were made because the girls in each case were tired of the sort of life that had been theirs before; they were anxious to have a home and believed that the Chinamen would provide it.

There is something worth thinking about in what the clergyman says. He analyzes the situation fairly and remarks: "Men offer the theatre, an automobile ride, and all those things that help make up the lighter side of life, but too seldom do they offer a home, even a poor and a little one. What a girl yearns for is a door that she can lock behind her, a house that is her own. Dispirited with the hollowness of city life, she chooses a Chinaman. He offers her a home and can you blame her if she forgets racial differences in the knowledge that she is kindly treated, provided for, and respected?"

There is plenty of truth in what the clergyman says about the dangers of these marriages, but there is also a point that should not be overlooked on the other side. There are girls who are forced to make their own way, and they must depend at times the miserable attentions that are forced on them by some of the so-called smart young men. Parties, so-called "good times," a cloak that is used to cover all manner of things, suppers, late hours—these are the programs too often mapped out by the young men and agreed to by the girls of today.

The time is not far past when a father used to consider it his duty, when he found a young man making calls on his daughter, to inquire frankly what his intentions were, and the vague direction in which he was moving today leads to the conclusion that that plan had much to commend it.

The Passing of Dr. McCrae.

Rev. Dr. D. L. McCrae has passed on and there will be many to regret his departure. He found his greatest pleasure in his work, whether it happened to be in the pulpit, in pastoral visitation, or in the pursuit of journalism which found him busy in the production of many Presbyterian church publications.

Dr. McCrae years ago was a newspaper reporter, and never did the lure of the printing office lose its grip. On many occasions in recent years he had "dropped in" at the Advertiser office, to use his own phrase. He never stayed long, but he always had an idea about something or other, a suggestion which he thought would be helpful—in fact he was in many ways the ideal visitor.

It was this faculty of making people glad to see him that carried him a long way into the hearts of his own church people, and into the affection of a very wide community outside who will cherish his memory as that of a dear friend and trusted counsellor.

Teaching History By Cross Words.

The cross word puzzle came as a matter of curiosity—it has remained as a factor in education. It has made people think, look, wonder and frown. It has even made its way into our colleges, and Walter C. Johnson of the Central Collegiate, London, says that it is a success for reviewing history.

For instance Lord Durham made certain recommendations to Britain about the best course for Canada to pursue. The word wanted is one of five letters. The answer comes at once, "union." The causes leading to the rebellion of 1837, one word of six letters indicating the nature of the trouble? The answer is "family," referring to "family compact."

If the idea is used judiciously, and not too often, the results are that the monotony of a history period is removed, the class concentrates on the period under review, there is no inattention, and the lesson is taught in such a way that the important events are fixed in the mind. It is a wise educationist who grasps the developments of the age and brings them to his assistance in his daily work.

One Thing Or The Other.

Although the London fire department has been investigated, considered, reported on and made the target for all manner of expert treatment, the fact remains that conditions have not altered a great deal when it comes down to the final question as to whether the chief or a committee of the city council is running the fire hall.

The city council should settle in the first place, and settle it definitely, whether the present chief and the men they desire to have in office to control that department. The fact that he is retained in office is taken to mean that he has the approval of the council, because if the council does not approve of him they could hardly justify keeping him in office.

City council, having gone that far, should be prepared to go the rest of the distance. Having found the present chief the man for the office, they should see to it that he is given an opportunity to demonstrate his efficiency to ad-

minister the department. As things stand at present there is a beaten path to the door of No. 1 committee, and it is from there that the fire hall is being governed, because it is there that it is determined whether the chief's rulings shall stand or fall.

London can never have a fire department functioning as it should until the control of that department is centered in the chief, and he is held strictly accountable for producing the results the ratepayers are justified in expecting.

If the council does not consider the chief competent to deal with the affairs of the department it is its duty to come out frankly and say so. This business of spending the time at committee meetings with reviewing and altering the decisions of the chief in regard to the workings of the department is not good business from any standpoint, and the sooner the council moves to put an end to it the sooner we will have a fire department that will work smoothly and fairly to all concerned.

A Program That Is Definite.

The board of education is to be commended on bringing in a definite building program for the year. It stands out in pleasing contrast with the methods of 1924, when there were so many proposals made before they had been based on known facts that no progress was made in any direction.

The erection of a collegiate in the east end of the city this year means that there will have to be one in the south next year. It had been thought that building in the south could be started more easily owing to the site being there, all ready for the building, but if the board can secure a place on the Rectory street site that objection is largely overcome.

The proposed addition to the technical school marks another step in the development that has attended that institution. When finally completed, the technical school will face on King street as well as on Dundas, and the building has been so well planned that as each addition takes its place it can be done at a minimum of cost. The new eight-room addition now planned will call for an outlay from the city of \$35,000, a like amount being secured from the government.

The interest and sinking fund on this amounts to \$2,800 per year. The school is paying for the use of the Y. M. C. A. \$3,300 per year for physical culture work, and with the completion of the new addition this amount will not be paid any longer, so it actually represents a saving from the standpoint of building costs. East London is entitled to a good school; it has waited a long time for it and has been called upon to house its children in an old, unsuitable school a long distance from the homes of most of the children.

Note and Comment.

The big question at Ottawa is "Shall the debate proceed?" Big question in the country is "Have the debaters anything worth while to say?"

Soprano and tenor in Metropolitan opera house at New York are supposed to be on bad terms. Soprano, in love scene, threw herself in tenor's arms so violently he fell well collapsed, and later on he handled her so roughly she almost landed on the footlights. Since which the box office returns have increased.

Thamesville council made a grant of \$12 to the editor of the Herald for publishing the minutes of council during 1924. Ross McGuire, the Thamesville publisher, always was a sensible chap, and it is to be hoped his new-found wealth will not cause him to snub the less wealthy scribes.

Thins and Fats

When I be done the chores at night 'tis then I get the paper out, a-readin' of the headlin' first and puzzlin' then what they're about. But I come 'cross a thin thing, most interestin' what I've seen, how thin folks could put on the fat and fat ones could be turned to lean.

I mind most forty years gone back when Dugald lived next door to me, he stood six foot in his wool socks, as skinny as a hemlock tree, no matter how he gorged himself yet Dugald he stayed powerful thin, it seemed at times as though his bones was nigh to punchin' through his skin.

And Malcolm lived the other way, a chunky man, yet powerful strong, and Mac was most as big around as what he was in inches long. A travelin' doctor come to town a-sellin' pills and ointment too, a-showin' how a hefty one could well nigh cleave his weight in two, while them with skinny frames on hand by eatin' what they ought to do, could lay the beef upon their ribs and weigh how much they wanted to.

So Dugald started to gloat and Malcolm swore he'd get thin, us figurin' what a sight to see long Dugald stout and Malcolm slim. Well Dugald he went rearin' round a-lookin' for church teas and such, a-feedin' seven times a day and eatin' sometimes over much, and every second day or so he come down to Steve Perkins' store, a-gettin' on the platform scales to see if he was weighin' more. When Dugald ris up from his bed he'd holler at his wife to say how he was hopin' how she'd have strong victuals for his fare that day.

He'd polish off three plates of mush, a side of ham and thirteen eggs, a-pinchin' of himself to see if he was fatter in the legs. When dinner time she come to pass by Dugald mood in like a pup, a-clamorin' for great cuts of beef to try and fill his sto up.

Meanwhile was Malcolm livin' low on humble fare two times a day, a-hopin' by this starvin' plan to chase his surplus fat away. When come church suppers Mac says nay, he whacked his fist clean in two, determines down three months or less to weigh half what he used to do.

I mind I was in Perkins' store when Mac and Dugald come one day, they was a-arguin' a so-ill on just how much they thought they'd weigh.

So me and Perkins standin' there, we took a book from off the shelf, remarkin' how to settle things we'd put the figures down ourself. We asked just what they used to weigh, that helpin' us at a-keepin' score, well Dugald he went two pound less, and Mac as heavy as before.

Well Dugald stood there for a spell, he stroked the whiskers on his chin, remarkin' how the Lord had meant as some folks was to face life thin, and Malcolm 'twas a-weighin' three, so, and 'us to even things about, it must be meant that folks like him was always to be classed as stout.

And Mac and Dugald's livin' yet, and Dugald's like a hemlock tree, while Malcolm's eighty years gone past, bay-windowed like he used to be—
ARK.

Lobo Township Was Surveyed In 1820

LOBO TOWNSHIP was settled to a great extent by immigrants from Scotland, part of it being surveyed in 1820 by Col. Mahlon Burwell. It was shortly after this that the settlers began to arrive, among the first being the McKellar, the Zavits, McArthur, Pattersons, Walters, Woodwards and Shipleys. R. Adamson was the first reeve in 1853; John McKellar in 1854; Hugh Carmichael, 1855; John H. Edwards, in 1856; R. Adamson in 1857 and up to 1860, when John Irvine succeeded him. In 1861 Lionel E. Shipley was reeve; in 1862 John McArthur; 1867, Dougald McArthur; 1868, Roger Healey; 1869, Malcolm McArthur; 1870, Alexander McKellar, and he held the office for some years after, and E. R. Barclay was clerk at that time. Few townships even in the days before 1875 had been better managed financially, as Lobo has always had a high rating, and seldom, if ever, in debt.

There are names in the list below of those who were registered as property holders in 1873 that are now entirely eliminated so far as residence there is concerned. On the farm of A. Graham, at Ivan, twelve children were born, none of whom are in Lobo. Ivan was at one time known as Inkerman's Corners, the name being one given locally to a good Scot who ran the hotel there.

In the list here we are using the names of those who were in Lobo on the east side of the Nairn gravel road, or as it was sometimes called then the Lobo and Williams road. Starting at the north end of Lobo where it borders on East Williams, and working south by concessions, the 1873 residents were:

The Roll Call in 1873.

A. Gilles, Arch. Stewart, J. McColl, Sen., J. Robinson, J. McEwen, J. Robinson, Neil Gilles, I. McKellar, H. Dewar, A. McDougall, D. Dougald, George Robson, John McClurg, A. Marshall, J. Johnson, D. McEwen, J. McEwen, J. Robson, P. McEwen, D. McDonald, D. Phillips, J. Phillips, T. Siddall, Jno. Siddall, Joseph Siddall, A. Gilles, J. McCallum, W. Marshall, John McCallum, G. Wilson, John McLellan, R. Squires, J. McIntosh, W. Parker, Jun., Joseph Walker, Jno. Parker, Isaac Walker, A. Thirlwall, A. Patterson, W. Parker, E. T. Shipley, P. M., J. T. Shipley, Robt. Robson, Lionel Shipley, Jno. T. O'Neill, Mrs. R. Marshall, A. Thirlwall, B. Leng, D. Dewar, D. McLean, Duncan Cameron, John Scott, T. Gibson, J. Woodhull, E. Stonehouse, W. Patterson, John Walker, W. Parker, W. Charlton, A. L. Thirlwall, E. Charlton, Lionel T. Shipley, John Cameron, Donald Cameron, J. Campbell, D. A. Campbell, A. Campbell, J. L. Cameron, A. L. Cameron, C. Henderson, Jno. Campbell, Mrs. C. Allen, E. Charlton, Jno. Barrow, W. Charlton, J. Cochran, W. Oliver, J. Lamb, D. Charlton, J. Headley, P. H. Brettell, Allen Headley, P. Graham, Duncan Graham, H. Smith, C. Henderson, John Smith, Jno. Forbes, John Campbell, J. D. Campbell, D. Campbell, A. Campbell, Thos. Hay, R. Campbell, W. McIntosh, Jno. McIntosh, A. C. Altmood, M. Taylor, A. Scott, P. Graham, Ham, estate of A. Carmichael, A. Graham, Duncan Graham, Jno. Scott, Arch. Graham, Daniel Graham, D. Johnson, H. Johnson, A. Johnson, H. D. Johnson, T. Caverhill, D. Cameron, Alexander Fraser, A. McTavish, T. McTavish, G. Dickson, W. McBain, J. W. Robson, A. Robson, Peter Campbell, R. Campbell, A. Campbell, Geo. Starklin, R. Scott, P. McIntyre, J. Simpson, W. Campbell, W. Caverhill, W. Garden, W. A. A. T. and J. S. Caverhill, N. Hodgson, J. McKelish, W. Moor, C. McArthur, J. McArthur, D. McArthur, J. McLellan, George Robson, D. McColl, Jun., N. McColl, A. McNeill, A. Batle, D. Carmichael, D. McIntyre, W. Tuckey, A. G. McArthur, J. A. McArthur, W. Tuckey, D. McColl, Sen., N. McColl, R. Robson, A. Colvin, H. McIver, R. Hall, D. C. McArthur, R. M. Edwards, estate of J. McKellar, H. Edwards, A. Scott, R. Boston, G. Arrand, Duncan Graham, Sen., Duncan Graham, Jun., Dougald Graham, B. Knight, R. Ferguson, G. C. Alway, W. Harrison, G. Masson, D. Livingston, W. Jury, P. H. Pulham.

To the Editor

Higher Tax—Lower License.

County Resident Thinks High Tax on Gas and Low License Fee Would Be the Best Solution.

Editor of The Advertiser:

Sir,—I noticed an article in your paper some few days ago where the London Motor club is up in arms over the proposed two cents tax on gasoline and gives figures to show what a burden it will mean to the car owners of the city of London.

Now what is a conservative estimate of what it costs to own and run a car? It is about an average 5,000 miles per year? You will find that London with her 65,000 population is spending about \$4,000,000 annually. No wonder the merchants are crying hard times and offering their goods for \$1 down and \$1 per week, yet they appear to be willing to kill the goose that lays the golden egg, for some one writes and says open up the roads for business is dull on the market as well as in the stores, yet we have had six weeks of the most beautiful sleighing this country has ever seen.

A report came out some time ago of the number of American cars that came into Canada during the year and gave figures to show the thousands of dollars they left in this country, but they didn't tell how many millions of dollars damage to our roads they did.

Nobody wants to go back to the horse and carriage of twenty-five years ago, but let us discourage instead of encouraging the thing that is ruinin' us in this Canada of ours and instead of placing a two-cent tax on gasoline let us make it 10 cents, which will only mean half a cent per mile, and reduce license fee.

A COUNTY TAXPAYER AND CAR OWNER.

Feb. 9, 1925.

The "Censor" Is Annoyed.

"Every dollar kept at home makes the community that much richer, and every dollar sent away makes it poorer."—Advertiser Editor, Feb. 12, 1925.

Editor of The Advertiser:

Dear Old Man,—You're away off. Adam Smith knocked out that idea one hundred and fifty years ago. It is ridiculous, an old Liberal free trader and a reader of The Advertiser for nearly fifty years, to read such straight protectionist twaddle in my favorite journal. Consult "The Wealth of Nations"; it's still good reading. Yours, CENSOR.

What Britain Pays For Bread.

Editor of The Advertiser:

Sir,—A news item in a daily paper stated that the price of bread in Britain was 11 cents for a two-pound loaf. We are paying here in London direct 11 cents for a pound and a half loaf, or for a two-pound loaf 14.25 cents. This is an increase here over the British price of 33.13 per cent, and right in the land where the grain is grown and no ocean freights to pay. Can it be that British free trade is responsible for this peculiar state of affairs? CONSUMER.

London, Feb. 13, 1925.

AN EARLY DIP.



Howard: "Well, the bunch got away with my O.T.A. clothes all right."

News From City Churches

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S.

The members of the Women's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church met on Wednesday evening for their regular monthly meeting. The president, Mrs. Jared Vining, occupied the chair, and after an opening hymn, and prayer by Mrs. W. J. Knox, the reports of the secretary and treasurer were received. A shower of articles, needful for instruction in sewing, was held for Mrs. Jean Laidlaw, a former member, who is at present teaching in Bellevue, Alberta.

GOODFELLOWS HOLD BANQUET.

Thursday evening was the occasion of a very successful gathering at Askin Street Methodist Sunday school when the Goodfellows' class of young men held their annual banquet. The Goodfellows and their guests, to the number of forty, sat down to a supper very capably served by the ladies of the Senior Mission circle. The table appropriately arranged in the form of a large "G," was attractively decorated in vases, flowers and other articles.

The program, comprised of various musical numbers, was very ably handled by J. H. Childs, teacher of the young men, acting as toastmaster and chairman. Two instrumental trios rendered by William Morelock, violinist; John Chapman, flutist, with Miss Florence West at the piano, were entirely successful.

The toast-list was headed by "The King," to which the entire company responded by rising and singing the national anthem. A toast to "Canada" was also given.

Spreading Good News Broadcast

Wants Everybody to Know That Dodd's Kidney Pills Have Relieved Him of Kidney Complications.

Joseph Hardy, After a Long Period of Suffering, Says: "Dodd's Kidney Pills Have Done Him Good."

Mitassini, Que., Feb. 13.—(Special).—Peeling quite well again after suffering for seven years, Joseph Hardy, a well-known resident of this place is recommending to his fellow countrymen Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I have used Dodd's Kidney Pills and found them very satisfactory," Mr. Hardy stated in an interview. "I suffered with my back and heart. I could not sleep very well and I was always tired and nervous. I took half a dozen boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and they have done me much good. I make no error in recommending them to my fellow countrymen as a remedy for sick kidneys. If you have any symptoms mentioned by Mr. Hardy you may be sure your kidneys need attention. Neglected kidneys are the cause of more than half the ill to which mankind is heir."

Dodd's Kidney Pills acts directly on the kidneys, making them strong and healthy. Sound kidneys mean pure blood. Pure blood means good health.—Advt.

L. Broadley, Mrs. E. Brady and Mrs. M. Vandusen.

ST. LUKE'S PLAY.

The members of the dramatic club of St. Luke's Anglican church, Broughdale, put on their successful play, "Yimmie Yonson's Yob," in the church of the Redeemer last evening, under the auspices of the women's guild of that church. It was exceptionally well attended, and following the performance an enjoyable social hour was spent, when dainty refreshments were served to the players by the ladies.

HAMILTON ROAD BANQUET.

The officers, teachers and members of the Adult Bible class of the Hamilton road Presbyterian church enjoyed a delightful round-table talk last night, when they held a banquet and discussed the work of the Sunday schools and made plans for this year. Mr. Scate, the superintendent, presided, and there were a great many present.

CENTENNIAL ROYAL CIRCLE.

The members of the Royal Circle class of the Centennial Sunday school were delightfully entertained at the home of their teacher, Mrs. Joseph Calk, Quebec street, last evening, when they celebrated the birthdays of three of their number. Valentine decorations were very effectively used, and the St. George's orchestra, when they played for the three girls with lovely birthday gifts. Music and games were greatly enjoyed, after which dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses, assisted by Miss Alice Wright.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIAL.

Plans are being made by the members of the ladies' guild of St. George's Anglican church, West London, for a delightful valentine supper and social evening for Thursday, Feb. 19. The evening promises to be a most interesting event, and a delightful program is also being arranged, when the St. George's orchestra will take a prominent part.

Mrs. E. R. Talbot is the general convener, and she will be ably assisted by the following committee: Table committee, which includes Mrs. A. H. Grigg, Mrs. William Hunt, Mrs. F. Copp, Mrs. G. Barr, Mrs. E. J. Bowles, Mrs. W. J. Brown, Mrs. G. Bryant, Mrs. Burns, Miss L. Ray, Mrs. J. Griffith, Mrs. F. Cotton, Mrs. Fitzallen, Mrs. B. Kershaw, Mrs. G. Cotton, Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. E. Cotton, Mrs. C. Linnell, Mrs. L. Leckie and Mrs. William Ruse; the kitchen committee, Mrs. M. Kershaw, Mrs. William Ruse, Mrs. E. Gask and Miss Nellie Gower; program committee, Mrs. F. Humphreys, Mrs. Coulls, Miss L. Raymond and Mrs. D. Dawson; decorating committee, Mrs. Copp, Mrs. Barr and Mrs. Kershaw; and reception committee, Mrs. Sage, Mrs. G. J. Garner, Mrs. Dexter, Miss Adelaide Smith, Mrs. F. G. Turville and Miss English.

CHALMERS VALENTINE SHOWER

A delightful valentine shower was held yesterday afternoon in connection with the regular meeting of the Pilgrim mission band at the Chalmers Presbyterian church, when about 30 little people brought lovely valentines and placed them in a large box, attractively decorated with hearts, which was taken over to the sick children's hospital unopened. The meeting was held in the small schoolroom, and May Duncan presided over the business session. The first Psalm and also a hymn was repeated in unison by the members, and it was decided to elect the band delegates, who will go to the meeting in Knox church, St. Thomas, next Thursday, at a special meeting. The secretary, Bessie Black, was instructed to send a letter of thanks to Mrs. M. E. McEachern for the picture of Miss Bertha Hodge, one of the missionaries in Honan, China, which she gave to the band, and it was also decided by the members to have it framed and hung in the small schoolroom.

This was also a social meeting, and the following program was presented: Readings by Helen Denley, Jessie Duncan and Violet Howard, and songs by Elva Kelm and Grace Couch. A very interesting program a dainty lunch of sandwiches and cake was enjoyed.

To be Healthy—Watch your Kidneys

The kidneys play a vitally important part in your bodily health. They are the filters of your body—the purifiers of the blood stream.

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