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### NOTE AND COMMENT

Germany seems to possess the idea that the Allies should pay them for quitting when they did.

For every hour in the year the city of Welland is paying \$12 on debentures and interest.

What is the best fire preventative asks a contemporary journal. The answer is, the price of coal.

The bill to introduce a Divorce Court in Ontario has met so much opposition, that it will likely be dropped.

The only wages that were not affected by the war were the wages of sin. They have remained constant.—Kingston Standard.

Germany denounces the bill as a crime against civilization. Well, there's a country that ought to know a crime against civilization when it sees one.

You can get a full course dinner including a bottle of wine in Paris, France, for nine cents. That would not be enough money for the waiter's tip in Canada.

Hon. J. C. Doherty, Minister of Justice, stated in the House that the ballot boxes for the temperance referendum in Ontario are being made by convicts in the penitentiaries.

It would be interesting to discover the number of persons who have violated the O. T. A. and who never broke any other law. We have an idea that if they could be rounded up and fined, the financial problems of the Province would be solved for another generation.

The editor of a certain journal when pressed for details regarding its circulation replied: "This paper goes from Hudson Bay to the Gulf of Mexico; from the Pacific to the Atlantic. Only the fact that its editor works at night prevents it also from going to Hades."—Ottawa Journal.

After six years as chairman of the Ontario License Board, J.D. Flavell Thursday announced that he was quitting the position on June 1. He declared that there had been no friction or unpleasantness with the Healey Government or with the present Government. Mr. Flavell will return to his home in Lindsay.

It's an odd day when a European scientist does not discover something that everybody else has known for a generation. For instance, one has now discovered a disease which manifests itself in an unconquerable desire to write. "Gramphomania" is the new Greek name for the mental ailment that used to be called by the partly Latin partly Greek name "scribendi cacoethes."

A scientist has explained to Toronto that the reason why the winter has been milder than usual is that "The trade winds being stronger this season, they have carried larger masses of warm water into northern regions and a warmer winter in Canada has resulted." If he will now tell us what caused the trade winds to blow stronger the whole secret will be out.

Cultivate the old-time honest practice of returning the articles you borrow as soon as your job is completed. Take a day and gather up your neighbors' goods and don't stop until you land them at the home of the owner. When a man has to phone for the loan of his own step, ladder, cross cut saw, etc., it is time ownership rights were looked up. Not of course not, you never intended keeping them, but why don't you take them back?

P. O. D., writing from England says: The English woman on the streets is no longer the demure and self-effacing person we had been led to believe. It may have been due to the war or to the demoralizing influence of wealthy tourists. But dowdiness is certainly the last thing one would dream of attributing to the

woman on the streets of London today. In fact we have been led to wonder how much more they could take off for evening functions other than that of going by-by.

A British Admiralty memorandum on naval estimates referring to the naval policy for consideration at the coming Imperial Conference says that the lines on which it is proposed to proceed are towards the development of Dominion navies under the administrative and executive command of their own officers, each navy being a responsibility for its own Government, all working, however, under the guidance of a common doctrine to ensure intelligent co-operation in a universal system of staff training. It is proposed that a certain number of Dominion officers shall each year take a course in the naval staff college, the Dominions eventually establishing their own staff colleges under the same system.

Radical changes in the system of conducting inquests are proposed in a report by the Public Service Commission tabled in the House by Hon. W. E. Raney. The object of the changes is the elimination of the multiplicity of coroners and inquests. Under the plan laid out public inquests will be held, not by physician coroners as at present but by the local or district magistrate. The doctor however will not be eliminated for provision is made for the holding of preliminary investigations by Associate Coroners who will be medical men. These preliminary inquiries will permit of the facts being secured and upon these facts the Crown Attorney will determine whether a public inquest is necessary. If he believes the circumstances advise it he must so notify the magistrate who may sit either with or without a jury.

The Cobourg Post is responsible for this: "Taxation is the collection of payment for public services. By public services we mean streets, sewers, lights, police, schools, etc. Public services should be paid for as all other services are paid for, that is, according to the value of said services. The value of your house, furniture, garage, auto, etc., is not and cannot be the measure of the public services you have enjoyed. To tax a man on the value of his house as payment for public services is just like charging a man for a suit of clothes by the value of his auto. Taxing a man on the value of private property for public use without compensation—in other words stealing by due process of law. When a man builds, paints or improves his house, he pays for these services to the painter and builder. Why, then, should he be called to pay for these services a second time to the town that did not build or paint—in fact, rendered no services and delivered no goods? To increase a man's assessment merely because he rendered a private service to himself, and, incidentally to the public, through improvement, is, to say the least, unreasonable. If your butcher going past your door, and noticing that you had painted or improved your house, went back to his shop and sent you a bill for twenty pounds of steak that he had not delivered, and did not intend to deliver, you would say he was both a fool and a crook. Then, in the name of common sense, why should the town do a like foolish and dishonorable thing?"

### WHEN DAY BEGINS

Different nations have had their own methods of punctuating time. Our calendar follows the Romans in the day at midnight; for all practical purposes we reckon it from sunrise to sunrise. The Athenians and the Hebrews, however, began their day at sunset. In the story of Creation we are told "And the evening and the morning were the first day." This Hebrew habit of beginning the day at sunset has survived even to our own time in regard to the day of rest. The whole significance of Burn's "Cotter's Saturday Night" is lost if we forget that to the Scotch Presbyterian Saturday night was a part of the Sabbath. The week's cares were thrown aside when the peasant saw, in the evening shadows the beginning of the Lord's Day.

### CHOP STUFF

Malcolm Blue has been appointed road overseer of Dunwich township at a salary of \$900 per annum, such official being now necessary since statute labor was abolished.

Mrs. Mary Perkins of Petrolia lost a son by death in London, Eng., on March 3th, and a daughter in Marine City, Mich., on March 4th. The former was 68 and the latter 70 years.

At a meeting of shareholders and creditors of the Lambton Knitting Co. Ltd., held on Tuesday afternoon it was decided to make a voluntary assignment to Osler Wade, of Toronto. The company's liabilities are about \$50,000.

Mr. Neil McDougall, I.P.S., Petrolia, has returned from Toronto where he was near Mrs. McDougall during an operation performed upon her by Dr. Starr, of Toronto. The operation we are glad to state, was a successful one, although it will be a month before the patient will be able to return home.

Burglars entered Cuddy's hardware store and Keyser's pool room, Strathroy, on Thursday night and carried away several Ingersoll watches, safety razors and flash lights from Cuddy's, and about \$15 worth of cigarettes from Keyser's. Entrance was gained at Cuddy's by prying open a rear window, and to Keyser's by prying off the lock on the front door.

The funeral of the late John McConnell took place from the family residence, Plympton, on Thursday. Deceased was aged 88 years and 10 months. He had been ill for some time. His wife, three daughters and one son survive, namely: Mrs. H. Whiffon, of Detroit; Mrs. H. Berry, Plympton; Miss Lottie and Thomas, at home. Rev. W. H. Fry conducted the services and interment was made in Wyoming cemetery. The pallbearers were six nephews.

Michael Hillyard, aged about 26, is in Strathroy Hospital suffering from a compound fracture of the arm and a fractured skull, suffered while he was working at a wood "buzzing" bee at the farm of D. Gardiner, near Mount Brydges. He died next day. The saw and engine when set up, were found to be out of position and the engine was being moved when the belt came off the saw pulley. Hillyard tried to put it on while the saw was still running from the momentum and was carried around the pulley.

The death occurred on Sunday at the family residence of Lavina Neeland, wife of Dr. O. E. Brandreth and grand-daughter of Rev. Williston and daughter of Rev. John Neelands in her fifty-first year. Mrs. Brandreth was born in Strathroy and was a member of the Methodist church and took an active part in all church work. Mrs. Brandreth though in failing health was able to be around until Friday when she suddenly took very ill. Besides her husband she is survived by three sons, Basil of the Royal Bank staff, Kitchener, and Preston and Morley at home. The funeral took place from the family residence on Tuesday with interment at the Strathroy cemetery.

Mrs. John Morgan, a well-known and highly respected resident of Kerwood, passed away on Thursday, March 10, at the Strathroy General Hospital, where she had been a patient for six months. Deceased was in her seventy-seventh year. She leaves three sons: Truman, of Castor Alberta; Dr. Walter, of Roslin; and Meredith, at home. The funeral service was held on Sunday at 2 o'clock from her late residence and was in charge of the Rev. C. J. Moorhouse, pastor of the Methodist church here, of which she had been a faithful member for many years. Rev. John Morrison, of Sarnia, a dear friend of the family, assisted the pastor. During the service Miss Beatrice Foster sang a solo entitled, "Some Sweet Day." This was by request of the deceased. The pallbearers were her six nephews. The beautiful floral offerings showed the esteem in which she was held. Interment was made at the Strathroy cemetery.

### Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

See the New Style Wedding Stationery at The Guide-Advocate.

## ANDROCK CORNER

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Freddie Fuller was absent for a few days last week on account of illness.

Jack Lamb was called to London last Friday to see his nephew who is very ill.

Miss Mary Mansfield is taking two weeks vacation from her regular duties owing to the illness of her father.

Mr. Taylor of the English & Miller Machinery Co., Detroit, was here this week repairing one of our welders.

He was a wise man that said he hadn't time to worry. In the daytime he was too busy and at night he was too sleepy.

The regular meeting of the Androck Association will be held Thursday evening, March 24th, at five o'clock after which a supper will be

served. We expect Mr. H. P. Elliott, Consulting Engineer, London, to address this meeting.

The machinists are very busy these days erecting shafting in our new factory and are long the whirr of machinery will be heard in that section.

Didst notice our new heading? With Easter so near at hand and most everyone exhibiting a new creation in millinery we thought it time that the Androck Corner had a new head piece too.

Now we know Spring is here, for has not AH launched operations in beautifying our grounds. He says he is going to run opposition to the Horticultural Society's efforts on our New Post Office Site. If an early start indicates anything he sure has it all over them like a tent.

## Announcement!

HAVING opened a General Tinsmithing and Plumbing business in Mackness' old stand we are now prepared to do all kinds of Tinsmithing, Pump Repairing, Eavetroughing, etc. Prices are slightly reduced in this line and we are prepared to do your work at reasonable prices, guaranteeing satisfaction with every job.

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### ARKONA

Rev. Jones exchanged with Rev. Norton of London. John Harnish returned a trip to Pennsylvania. Mr. Ernest George has his new residence on An

Mrs. W. J. Clark returned from London, where she had an operation. Mr. Earl Stoner has left his mill from Wilsn takes possession April 1

Rev. Ratcliffe preached on Sunday. Rev. Savel occupied the pulpit of church last Sunday.

Mr. Kerr of Sarnia was of Mr. and Mrs. T. Pres weekend.

Mrs. R. H. Wilson is week with her sister, M. Thorndale.

Special Easter service held in the Baptist church on Sunday. Special music.

Messrs. Albert Woolfe and Gibson left on Monday for the Northwest.

Rev. J. N. Norton, occupied the pulpit of church on Sunday last.

Mr. Orval Thoman at Helen, of Parkhill, are Alex. Thoman this week

Rev. A. H. Jones of church occupied the pulpit Maitland street Baptist London on Sunday last

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