

Peculiarities

A boy fell from a bicycle in front of a street car in Ottawa. The motorman put on his brakes tight and the wheels stopped turning. Because of this, the boy was pushed along in front of the wheel, and when pulled out was practically uninjured. Moral: All cities with street cars should insist on their having first-class brakes.

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Fort William and Port Arthur have had trouble with ice blocking their harbours. Ice-breakers have been employed. It looks as if the government would have to provide an ice-breaker at these ports every spring, now that an early opening there has become so important.

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When the Press Association started out to agitate against the old Postal Convention, it declared that fifty bags of United States mail came in here for every one that went from this country to the United States. Now the Postmaster-General makes the startling statement that this proportion had in five years grown from 50 to 1 to 200 to 1. No wonder Mr. Lemieux cut it off short on May 8th.

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People who are compelled to pay more for their United States publications should remember that they will be required to pay less for their British periodicals. Canada has in this way added a new feature to the British preference.

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Toronto is full of British immigrants. Many of them find work in the city, but not all. The prediction has been made that in a few weeks there will be two thousand of these people walking the streets looking for work. In a smaller measure, this will probably be true of several Canadian cities. The subject is one which should engage the attention of civic and provincial authorities.

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Sir William Mulock, speaking to the Canadian Club of Victoria, called Vancouver Island the Switzerland of America. The mainland has already received the title, but Sir William justified the extension because Vancouver Island with its beautiful, fish-stocked lakes should become a sportsman's paradise. Sir William thinks Victoria is certain of future greatness.

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Saskatchewan has decided that it will not be over-run as Ontario is by K.C.'s. Only eight may be appointed in four years. Five of these eight are already chosen: Mr. T. H. McGuire, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories; Mr. James McKay, of Prince Albert, Man.; Norman Mackenzie, of Regina; Mr. J. T. Brown, M.P.P., of Moosomin, and Mr. Frank Ford, the Deputy Attorney-General. Messrs. J. H. Lamont, Attorney-General, and Mr. F. W. G. Haultain, former Attorney-General, became K.C.'s by virtue of their offices.

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At the Royal Military College, Kingston, the cadets were ordered to grow moustaches. A sergeant shaved his upper lip and was reduced to the ranks. The order was foolish; and so was the disobedience. Officers should not make unnecessary rules, but once made they should be enforced.

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Of course, every Canadian knew that the late spring would limit the wheat area sown, but only a few thought of buying wheat for the inevitable rise. Some people thought of it and had the necessary credit. They bought (or speculated) and made "big money."

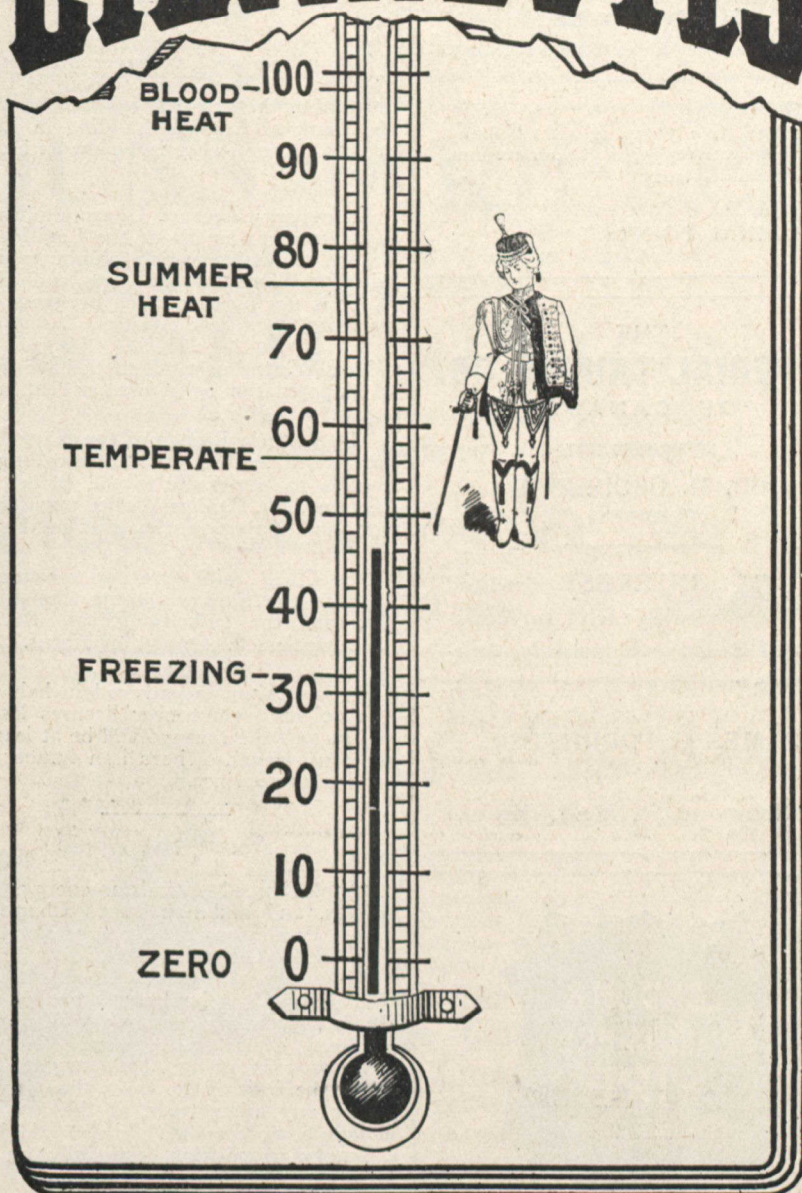
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Coal heavers in Montreal went up in the social scale last week. Their wages were advanced, without a strike, from eight to nine dollars a week.

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At the Montreal dog show last week, several important sales were made. A Boston terrier sold for more than a thousand dollars. Mr. W. Roy, of the Coila Kennels,

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The weather for the past week has been fairly mild. The average temperature was 46, as indicated by the sword point of the famous SWEET CAPORAL girl.

INTERESTING INFORMATION

The records of temperature published in connection with the above thermometer, show what an exceptionally long and trying winter we have had. Readings below zero were frequent and temperatures were recorded in May which seemed distressingly low and out of place for "the merrie month."

It is anticipated however, that from now on, the SWEET CAPORAL girl will have a pleasanter task, and the degrees which she will point out with her usual exactness will be regarded with more favor. A good plan is to preserve these records for comparison.

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