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PROF. ROBERTSON'S RESIGNATION.

Dr. J. W. Robertson has resigned his position as principal of the Macdonald College at St. Anne de Bellevue. He will spend the next year or two on the continent, studying foreign methods of agriculture with the intention of introducing in Canada whatever improvements he may find. Dr. Robertson's resignation while entirely voluntary has been prompted, it is understood, by the fact that his tenure of office in the college has not been entirely happy. His ideas do not harmonize with the more practical suggestions of others connected with that institution, for in spite of his great ability and his undoubted energy, Dr. Robertson is more or less of an idealist. The Macdonald College has been raised, under his supervision, to a very high standard, but among some of the intimately connected with agricultural affairs there is an opinion that the institution would be of greater practical value if it came down out of the clouds. It should go in, the belief is, more for practical agriculture and less for theory.

Whatever the causes may have been for the unpleasantness, Dr. Robertson found it impossible to remain at St. Anne and keep things running smoothly, while at the same time enjoying a peaceable existence. He will go abroad for a time, and in following out his ideas of raising the standard of agriculture and education in Canada will no doubt find many new features which may be introduced in this country. He has given his life to this work, and in spite of the idealistic tendency of his nature it may be found that he can get along better without the St. Anne College than the college can without him.

THE COMING WAR.

"I do not believe there is going to be war between this country and any great foreign power—heaven knows I do not desire it, but absolutely the only way in which you can secure the peace which you all desire is that you shall be sure of victory if the war takes place."—Mr. Balfour at Hanley.

That is the way all British statesmen and all German statesmen talk. Those are the words used by practically every man of prominence in the two countries, and they utterly fail to express popular opinion. As a matter of fact Mr. Asquith does desire war with Germany, and every man in Great Britain desires war. Moreover all nations know it is going to happen. And it will be well if it does, for afterwards Europe will be relieved, for a generation at least, from the constant menace now overshadowing it. Britain and Germany, or one of them, will be free from the perpetual dread of a sudden attack on the part of the other one. There will be no peace in Europe, and no peace in the world, until the powerful German Empire is given a chance of losing some of its surplus blood. Germany will never be satisfied until it has measured swords with Britain. For years efforts have been made to bring about a better feeling between these two great powers and every attempt has failed. The situation has grown steadily worse instead of better and on both sides of the channel there is a strong feeling of enmity which is liable at any time to break out in active hostility. A war would be a world-wide calamity in the sense that all wars are calamities, but just as nose bleed relieves headache, so a scrap between these two nations would end for a long time the bitterness now existing. And Mr. Balfour's speech, no matter in what spirit he intended it, has done more to intensify hostile sentiment across the channel than anything that has been said during the turmoil of the past few years. It is toward this war that both nations are preparing. The longer it is delayed the more disastrous will it be in loss of life and property and the greater will be the burden borne by taxpayers of both nations in providing funds for the construction of ships destined for service in the expected fight.

Mr. F. W. Holt is inclined to stand by his preliminary estimate on the cost of a harbor bridge. His position has been transformed by the document which is submitted to the harbor committee into a final report. The question now is, are the people of St. John prepared to undertake the construction of a bridge on no better information than that furnished by Mr. Holt? Frankly, the Star believes they are not. An undertaking of so much importance will scarcely be begun until more is learned of the effect on the city's revenues, if the probable income from users of the bridge, and of the ultimate cost which in spite of Mr. Holt's calculations will undoubtedly greatly exceed the estimate.

GUNS AND MEN.

Lloyd-George is making a great blow about "the men behind the guns." But the whole crew of a Dreadnought could not add one hundred yards to the range of a twelve-inch, nor can their bravery offer effective resistance to the penetration of a German shell. The men behind the guns are valuable only in conjunction with "the guns in front of the men," and unless these are equally efficient, trouble follows. In the Boer war the men behind the guns spent most of their time in dodging shells from the heavier Creusot pieces used by the Dutch. Here was a case in which the British soldier's heroism was useless. His artillery was ridiculously ineffective, while the Boers, with long range weapons, stood in absolute safety out of range and shelled him to their heart's content, in spite of sentiment, the gun is just as introducing in Canada whatever improvements he may find. Dr. Robertson's resignation while entirely voluntary has been prompted, it is understood, by the fact that his tenure of office in the college has not been entirely happy. His ideas do not harmonize with the more practical suggestions of others connected with that institution, for in spite of his great ability and his undoubted energy, Dr. Robertson is more or less of an idealist. The Macdonald College has been raised, under his supervision, to a very high standard, but among some of the intimately connected with agricultural affairs there is an opinion that the institution would be of greater practical value if it came down out of the clouds. It should go in, the belief is, more for practical agriculture and less for theory.

THE BRIDGE QUESTION.

(The Standard.)
On the question of the Navy Island bridge, there is an evident desire on the part of the people to be better informed as to details before they can pass upon it. Some of the matters on which information is required are discussed by the Globe in a leading article which is reprinted in this issue of The Standard. This is no ordinary project, but a serious undertaking likely to cost a great deal more money than the sum mentioned in the preliminary estimate. Such a work is not to be taken up lightly by a city which is not able to give itself good streets, and is carrying on many other services in a cheap way.

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TOURIST ASSOCIATION

At the annual meeting of the N. B. Tourist Association last evening a lengthy discussion took place on the best plans to increase the tourist travel. Several suggestions were offered. F. B. Ellis occupied the chair and the following new executive was chosen: F. B. Ellis, R. T. Hayes, E. Smith, W. E. Raymond, T. H. Bullock, W. F. Hatheway, A. O. Skinner, D. R. Jack, T. Q. Dowling, A. C. Currie. The meeting also took up the matter of shortening the hunting season in the province. No united action was taken in the matter. The president said that a delegation would shortly wait upon the council and ask for an increased grant.

INTEREST IN CHICAGO REVIVAL INCREASING.

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 6.—The Chapman-Alexander evangelistic meetings which were started yesterday were well attended today, although on account of the stormy weather the attendance was somewhat affected in view of the fact that the sidewalks were icy and thus discouraging to pedestrians to get out of doors any more than necessary.

The interest in the meetings is on the increase and the managers of the campaign as well as the local church members are satisfied that the series of meetings are to be productive of much good.

The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON

Every time anyone fails to acknowledge a kindness properly, he does a great deal more than prove himself a churl and hurt his benefactor's feelings. He also runs the risk of hurting a great many other people.

I thought of that yesterday when I saw a pretty little scene with a rather distinctly unpleasant denouement.

At the table across from the one where I was dining, a woman with two little children was in the throes of getting the youngsters into their outer garments.



She was tying the baby's bonnet strings, while the older child, though hardly more than three or four years old, was trying bravely, though not very successfully, to struggle into her coat alone.

A busy little waitress who was scurrying past with a tray piled high with dishes, saw the child's predicament, stopped, set the tray down and helped wriggle the obstinate coat on.

The little scene took place in a restaurant where the waitresses do not receive tips, so I knew that there could be no ulterior motive for the deed, and I looked instinctively towards the mother for the pleasure of seeing the radiant smile that I felt sure must acknowledge such a gracious act.

And will you believe me—although the mother simply must have seen the whole thing, she neither smiled nor spoke nor in any way make acknowledgement of the courtesy and kindness shown towards her little daughter and herself.

Of course virtue should be its own reward, and kindly deeds should be done simply for the sake of doing them, and not at all for the thanks we get.

But as long as human nature is human, I fancy that ingratitude will always tend to curdle the milk of human kindness, and graciousness will be apt to make the cream rise on its surface.

If the next time that little waitress sees a chance to be helpful to some one and passes it by, it seems to me that the blame of that kindness omitted will belong partly, at least, to the woman who did not say, "Thank you."

When a woman fails to thank a man for giving her his seat in the car, she makes him just so much less apt to repeat the chivalrous act for some one else. Other women will probably suffer for her ungraciousness.

The most gracious possible reception of any kindness shown him is a duty that every one owes to himself, of course, but even more to the world at large.

And one who receives a kindness with genuine, hearty gratitude may thereby stimulate the power of the milk of human kindness.

Any one who receives a kindness ungraciously may thereby rob the world of many kind acts.

Paul Cameron

The Lighter Side of Life

MOONLIGHT.

Faintly the great stars glimmer—
Shoals in a sapphire sea
Where like a snowy swimmer
The rounded moon floats free.

Shadow and silence hold me,
Things all unreal seem;
Silvery arms enfold me,
And bear me off to dream.

Cool grows the air and crisp,
Scented with breath of muer,
Leaves in the branches whisper
Their secrets in the dusk.

Never a cloud—and only
She, with her shoulders white,
Floating in beauty, lonely,
In the blue sea of night.

RACE MURDER.

"Do you find your flat comfortable this winter?"
"No. We have been nearly frozen to death."
"Why don't you complain to the landlord?"
"We're afraid he may come around to investigate and find out we have a baby."

CONFIDENCE IN FATHER.

Police Commissioner Baker of New York, agent a policeman who had made a particularly daring and successful arrest, said:

"He got his man by working out his clue with daring logic. He didn't let any timidity stand in his way. He didn't, out of false delicacy, hesitate like the Hoboken cook."

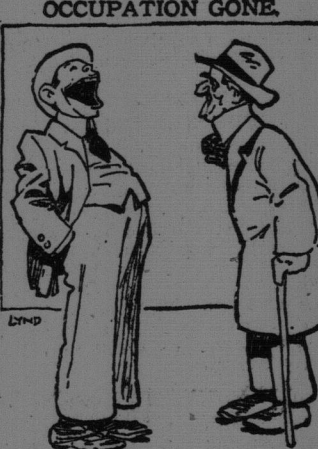
"A Hoboken man whose hen roost had been robbed, said to his cook:
"See here, Lily, sleeping as close to the henhouse as you can, didn't you hear those chickens thieves last night?"
"Lily hesitated. Then she stammered:

"Yes, sir, I certainly did hear them chickens bawling, and I heard men's voices."
"Why in thunder, then, didn't you do something?"
"Oh, she sobbed, I knowed my old poppy was out there that had him think I'd lost confidence in him for all the chickens in the world."

RATING HIM.

Jimmie—"It isn't always easy for a man to win in a contest of brains."
Janie—"You might, if the contest was in the feather-weight class."

OCCUPATION GONE.



"My wife is very unhappy these days."
"Don't say so!"
"Yes, she married me to reform me and now that I'm reformed she has no mission in life."

SELF-DEPRECATING.

"An old uncle stood in the zoo monkey house. He watched the monkey's antics with stern disapproval. A doctor at his side laughed and said to him:

"Uncle, they seem almost human, don't they?"
"The old man with a look of disgust, answered coldly:
"Human? Why, they ain't no more human than I am."

FREE LANCES

After the crusades a great many knights and their equines found themselves out of employment. Wandering from state to state, selling their services to any lord who was willing to pay them their price, they were given the very appropriate name of "free lances"—men who were at liberty to fight for any one who wanted them.

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DICIPLINE THREATENED FOR FOOTBALL STAR

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Jan. 6.—At a meeting of the engineering faculty this afternoon to consider the case of J. Joy Miller of Detroit, the University of Michigan football star who recently was declared to have been ineligible to a position on the 1909 team, a letter was drafted to Miller citing him to appear before the faculty tomorrow. He will be asked to show cause why he should not receive such discipline and punishment as the faculty has decided to inflict upon him.

No member of the faculty will state what the punishment is to be, but it is said Miller will face either absolute dismissal or suspension.

Health Cranks and Food Faddists

Have Evolved Some Strange and Wonderful Theories Concerning Stomach Treatment

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Within the last 20 years there has sprung into existence theories by the score relative to the kinds of food that human beings should eat, and should avoid. With the tremendous increase in nervous and stomach diseases which are caused by the strenuous life of this neurotic, neurasthenic age in which we live, we are constantly having our attention called to some food faddist's "new idea" on the subject of alimentation.

Most prominent amongst these theories is the vegetarian who insists that meat was never intended for the human stomach. Despite the fact that his ancestors for 6,000 years or more, used it as their principal article of diet, and the most satisfactory of biblical history who lived to prodigious old ages, were meat eaters. All the great nations of history have been users of meat and all of the most powerful and advanced countries of today employ it extensively in their dietaries, and their superior development and high degree of civilization are in strong and striking contrast to the decadent and degenerate nations of Asia and the tropics, whose inhabitants are vegetarians.

Another fallacy which has lately become a fad, is the so-called "fruit diet," so that any great reduction in the amount of protein used simply means semi-starvation for the most part of the day. Those nations whose people use food containing but little protein are never of large frame, or well-built. The Japanese, who have always been small of stature, have since adopting a more liberal protein diet, shown a remarkable increase in size, vigor and general development; and it is only since Japan became a meat-eating nation that it has developed into a world-wide power.

Still another theory lately advanced is that sugar, pepper and salt are gastric irritants and irritate the mucous membrane of the stomach, although it is known that sugar possesses a high caloric value, while pepper and salt assist digestion rather than interfere with it, as is claimed. The no-breakfast plan, the two-meal per day, and even the one meal daily have been advocated, while some advise a two or three weeks' fast, during which all food is withheld from the stomach "to give it a rest."

It is utter nonsense to concern oneself about all these absurd and illogical theories, as life is entirely too short, and there are other things requiring our attention. Eat what you want when you want it, and as much as the system needs to replenish its waste, and then take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and forget all about food fads, and stomach troubles. They digest all kinds of food so thoroughly you won't know you have taken a meal, and digestion rather than of every kind of food though harmless to the system, and may be taken at any time and in any quantity.

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AIR CLEANED PAINTINGS.

In some of the European art galleries the dust is removed from the paintings and statuary by means of an air pump, a jet of air being thrown with great force against the article which needs dusting.

A COLUMN FOR WOMEN

Household Hints

The sediment from javelle water is excellent for scouring.
Figs and dates chopped with dried apples make a delicious combination for a salad with mayonnaise. Serve on lettuce leaves.
An eggshell or two, or, better still, an oyster shell, should be kept in every taskette. Then no rust will appear.
If six to ten drops of spirits of camphor are taken on a lump of sugar when sneezing starts, a bad cold may be averted.
The juice of stewed cranberries, with the addition of lemon and sugar to taste, makes a delicious drink, diluted with cold water.
When serving poached eggs, instead of the usual slice of toast, place the eggs on rounds of bread, cut thin and sautéed in butter.
Bric-a-brac should be carefully dusted before being washed in hot borax water or soap-suds in which a little ammonia has been dissolved.
A good cleanser for hardwood is to wash it with a clean flannel wet in turpentine and rub lightly afterward with linseed oil.

Most modern brassware is lacquered and needs only to be wiped off with a damp cloth. Work quickly, and do not let the surface get wet.
Pleated and fancy taffetas are in demand for waists and petticoats and are further going into the new plaid silk kilted costumes that are among the fashions of the hour.
A growing fad is for running a bias seam across the coat front, collar, cuffs and under the ever to the hem back of the knees. It is a marked seam, in the French fashion, with the waist on the outside.
Coat fabrics most popular are moire, velvet, seal plush and broadcloth, the order named. Fur collars, shawl shaped, and extending to the waist, with fur cuffs, are one some of the most excellent trends.

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RESTFUL TO EYES AND NERVES.

"If the whole of London were painted green it would have a wonderful effect upon the health and spirits of us Londoners," said one of the leading specialists in a Mirror writer's "Eyesight and health are most closely connected, and among town dwellers eyesight is steadily declining." The remedy is one of nature's cures for worry and fatigue. Take a man who is worrying or tired, and see how often he will wander to a window from which he can gaze on a tree in leaf. Instinctively his eyes rest on the restful green of the foliage. A great deal of the good obtained from a visit to the country is from the restful green of the green fields and green leaves.

"A green room, too, is a splendid thing. I know of a case of a popular actress who could never understand why it was that in her country house she could always rest so much better than in any other one. She mentioned the fact to me one day, and I pointed out to her that the paper and furniture were entirely green."

SEE DICTIONARY AND GET LIGHT

The chap who patronizes cheap restaurants picks up numerous ineradicable wrong notions which he percolates in repeating to such acquaintances as sit at his feet and swallow his pseudo-knowledge. "Now," he will assert, "everybody knows that 'parbait' is vegetable, while 'rabbit' might be either flesh or fowl. So we have Long Island rabbit—a hare; and Long Island rabbit—a fowl. A restaurant man is lucid if not right." But he doesn't tell where the toast, the ale, the cheese, the sauce and the baking powder come in! Nor does he tell why this delectable dish is called "Welsh." There are famous Welsh hares, the finest of hunting; but why should cheese and toast, etc., make a Welsh rabbit? Why not a Scotch rabbit? Why not a Texas rabbit? Why not a jack rabbit, the noblest animal of its race? More light, more light! This thing is hazy.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 6.—There was much relief in shipping circles today when word was received of the sighting of the new six-masted schooner Wyoming, the largest wooden sailing vessel afloat, which left Bath on December 21st for Newport News, a run usually of five days.

The Wyoming was reported by wireless off Winter Quarter Shoal last night by the steamer City of Memphis, after having been driven many miles off shore by the heavy weather at Christmas time. She was on her maiden trip.

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MARRIAGES

PEARSE-HIGGS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, on January 5th, 1910, by the Rev. Richard Opie, Robert Wesley Pearse of St. John to Miss Annie E. Higgs of St. Anthony, Kent Co.

DEATHS

CARVILL.—At New York, on the 5th inst., Francis L. Carvill. Funeral on Saturday at 2.30 p.m., from the residence of George Carvill, 2 Elm-mouth Street.

PROVAN.—At Gagetown, on January 3, Susan Provan, wife of the late William Provan.