

markets, fairs, festivals, etc., would all be *fixed* in the public almanacs as now.

But those almanacs would be permanent as the changing of week-day names for dates would then cease. The fixed four weeks per month would permanently anchor each of our seven week-days to the 4 *fixed dates* opposite their respective names in the "Model Month" on page 3. Then the date would always indicate the day of the week *e.g.* 7, 14, 21 and 28 would denote Saturdays; 1, 8, 15 and 22 Sundays and so forth.

That eminently practical fixed month would speedily become so easily imprinted on our minds that we could by that one month's dates, instantly call to mind the week-day names for any dates in the year, and our watches would indicate the day of the week and date of the month as regularly as they now do the hour we look for on waking. The incessant efforts now necessary to remember the day of the week and month for all purposes would vanish.

The numerous references we now make direct to almanacs, or mentally grope for along the 12 antiquated Roman tablet months of irregular length and ceaseless change of week-day names, would then cease to burden our minds, which would then become free to cast aside that mental crutch poem of "30 Days hath Sept., April, June and Nov., etc." with its tedious exceptions.

Thoughtful persons who reflect upon the number of times per day we thus needlessly waste mental energy upon those efforts now forced upon us by our imperfect almanacs, consider the proposed change to be highly desirable, as it will benefit everybody without injuring anyone.

Statesmen and representatives of the nations called upon to consider the advisability of this reform will realize the developing need for a more convenient almanac suited to modern requirements and unfettered from the defects of the imperfect system of unequal months and changing day names that sufficed in the era of slavery and serfdom 2,000 years ago.—They know that the vast social and industrial changes developed during that long period are becoming more accentuated every year, and they will be quite as ready as the members of the Royal Society of Canada to appreciate not only the conveniences a "Rational Almanac" would give to themselves daily when reading, writing, making appointments, etc., but also give due weight to the fact that the existing almanac anomalies and inconveniences are similarly detrimental to nearly all the 2,000,000,000 people in the world.

Many of us make numerous almanac references every day in business transactions. It will surprise most people when they individually count the number they make.—But if we take the least possible number of one day, that shows that the colossal number of 730,000,000,000 need-