

LIFTED ' LAUGHS

A Light Lunch

WAITER: "What will you have, sir?"

DINER: "Oh, bring me an assortment of proteins, fats and carbohydrates—I leave it to you, Henry—say 800 calories."—*Boston Transcript*.

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"Pa, what does it mean when it says that a man has arrived at years of discretion?"

"It means, my son, that he's too young to die and too old to have any fun."—*New York Sun*.

How the Row Started

MR. BROWN: "I had a queer dream last night, my dear. I thought I saw another man running off with you."

MRS. BROWN: "And what did you say to him?"

MR. BROWN: "I asked him what he was running for."—*Insurance News*.

Optional

FIRST COLOURED GENT: "I don't believe it's constitutional to draft a man and make him fight."

SECOND COLOURED GENT: "Boy, they don't make you fight. They just send you to France, puts you in a trench, and when the Germans charge at you they just leaves it to your best judgment whether you better fight or not!"

Fully Prepared

"So you wish to leave to get married, Mary? I hope you have given the matter serious consideration."

"Oh, I have sir," was the earnest reply. "I have been to two fortune tellers and a clairvoyant, and looked in a sign-book, and dreamed on a lock of his hair, and have been to one of those astrologers, and to a meajum, and they all tell me to go ahead, sir. I ain't one to marry reckless like, sir."

—*Household Words*.

Had No Real Being

A contemporary, stirred either by derision or ignorance, inquires: "Who was P. B. Armstrong?" He never really was; he merely thought he was.

—*The Adjuster*.

LIEUT. MACAULAY CALLED TO WASHINGTON

WITH the appointment of Lieut. Douglas L. Macaulay to an important position under the United States Committee, which has charge of the manufacture of aeroplanes in that country, a signal honour has been conferred on a member of our Head Office Staff.

The American authorities applied to Canada for a man combining engineering qualifications with flying experience in France. Lieut. Macaulay was recommended, and on the invitation of the American authorities visited Washington, and has now been made a member of the sub-Committee on "Air Craft Design and Associated Aeronautic Problems." There are on this Committee specialists in all branches of the work, but it was desired to also have the co-ordinating influence of a man having all-round knowledge and experience.

Lieut. Macaulay is a son of Mr. T. B. Macaulay, President of our Company. He is a graduate of McGill University in both Arts and Science, and did excellent service in the Flying Corps in France, returning home wounded. He has left for Washington to take up his new duties, to which he brings an ability and experience which will no doubt prove of value in the development of the American air service.

CANADIAN LAWS EXTRA SAFE

THE outstanding degree of security which is afforded to policyholders of Canadian life assurance companies by the Dominion Insurance Law receives emphasis from the following extract clipped from a recent issue of the *Calcutta (India) Commerce*.

Life assurance has not yet filtered down to the masses in India, and what promise it held out in this direction received a set-back by the innumerable provident societies, started on unsound financial principles and worked by dishonest men, becoming bankrupt. It was at this stage that the government interfered and legislated in the teeth of a very vigorous but uninformed opposition; but the legislation scarcely went far enough to safeguard the interests of the assuring public.

Indian Insurance Legislation followed the lines of the British Act on the subject, but compared to the legislation in force in the United States of America and Canada, both of which closely resemble each other, the Indian Act would seem to afford but little protection. Of the British Act the insurance editor of *Truth* after examining and comparing it with the Canadian law observes: "It is an entire underestimate to say that the safety provided by the Canadian legislation is as 1,200 to 16, or seventy-five times as great as that supposed to be provided by the laws under which English and Scottish life offices conduct their business." I agree with a Madras paper in holding that if the Indian Insurance Act went several steps further in the manner of American legislation and brought life offices under the closer supervision and greater scrutiny of the State, Indian life offices would become more popular and prove a public blessing.

CANADA'S FOOD RESOURCES



400,000 pounds of Frozen Halibut in Vancouver Plant of the Canadian Fishing Company.

—*The Canadian Fisherman*.