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Clearing Up Louisiana.
 Mr. Henry Oyen, in the March World's
 Work, gives some amusing examples of
 the easy-going ignorance that Dr. Dowling
 ran up against while he was on his
 famous campaign to rid Louisiana of dirt.
 At one town the dirty condition of a
 public building was pointed out to its old
 time caretaker.
 "Dr. Dowling, sah," said he, "your
 ideas on cleanliness, sah, differ from
 mine."
 A baker in a small town was found at
 his dough with his hands and undershirt
 in hardly presentable condition.
 "Hahn't you better wash up and change
 shirts," suggested the doctor.
 "Yessuh," said the man, proudly.
 "To-night's the night."
 In one place the doctor remonstrated
 with a dairyman for carrying his horse at
 the door of his milk room.
 "Oh, that's all right, doctor," said he.
 "We get all that out when we strain the
 milk."
 One hotel-keeper, on being re-primanded
 for keeping a hog-pen just outside of
 his kitchen window, said: "Why, doctor,
 those hogs have been there five months
 and none of them ain't been sick yet."

Matapedia Valley during the earlier
 hours of the morning and a view of the
 Restigouche River and the blue waters
 of the Baie des Chaleurs. The beautiful
 valley of Wentworth, N. S. will be seen
 in the more mellowing light of early
 evening, and the train will reach Truro at
 8.00 o'clock connecting with the through
 night express for the Sydneys and arriving
 at Halifax at 10.00 p. m.
 The Maritime Express under the summer
 schedule will leave Montreal at 8.15
 a. m. and through passengers will have
 the daylight journey through Quebec,
 and a view of the majestic St. Lawrence
 as it widens in its course to the sea. Making
 connection at Moncton with morning
 express for St. John the Maritime con-
 tinuing eastward will reach Halifax at
 13.30.
 The Ocean Limited will leave Halifax
 westbound at 8.00 a. m. and the Maritime
 Express will leave as usual at 15.10 thus
 there will be a through week day service
 by two trains equal to the best on the
 continent.

An Empire-wide Wireless Scheme.

LONDON, March 9.—After many de-
 lays the British Postmaster-General, act-
 ing on behalf of His Majesty's Govern-
 ment and the governments of the Domin-
 ions and colonies, has formally notified
 the Marconi Company of the acceptance
 of the terms submitted by that company
 for the construction of the long-distance
 wireless stations which are required for
 the Imperial wireless scheme.
 The Postmaster-General's notification
 marks the first step toward the establish-
 ment of a grid of wireless stations
 round the British Empire.
 The scheme has vast and far-reaching
 potentialities. Stations will be opened at
 once at London, Aden, Bangalore,
 India, Pretoria, South Africa, and Singa-
 pore.
 This chain represents only the begin-
 ning. Stations will be established in coun-
 tries contiguous to the Colonies for com-
 munication with them, in which case the
 Colonies will be in the position of being
 able to communicate cheaply and directly
 with any country with which they are do-
 ing business within a range of two or
 three thousand miles.

The Big Noise.
 When in the public places
 And jollier with their faces,
 "We're here because we're here!"
 You catch the conversation
 And do not have to grope
 Concerning their location,
 They make it clear, we hope.
 You couldn't get it plainer
 Although they had a band
 And went at it insister
 To make you understand,
 And if you pay attention
 As idly passing by
 They will politely mention
 The only reason why.
 Though sometimes you may wonder
 As they appear in view,
 Come in as soft as thunder
 If elsewhere wouldn't do.
 As voices cut the ceiling
 And far the atmosphere
 You sort of have a feeling
 They're here because they're here.

The youthful spirits bubble
 Like water from a spring,
 And, while not hunting trouble,
 They'd joy on it to swing.
 Quite useless is protesting,
 They must let loose the noise
 That is their lungs congesting,
 For boys must still be boys.
Direct Descent.
 "Mother, isn't it just lovely? Uncle
 George says we have a family tree."
 "I am sure I never heard of it."
 "But it is so. He knows all about
 it."
 "And what kind of a tree is it?"
 "An apple tree. We are descended
 from Adam and Eve, and he says
 that was their tree on account of that
 little trouble over the apple."

THEY ALL FALL FOR IT.

Panel 1: "SAY GEORGE I'M IN AN AWFUL HURRY. BRING ME A STEAK, SOME FRENCH FRIED, A COMBINATION SALAD AND COFFEE. RUSH IT!"
 Panel 2: "YES SIR."
 Panel 3: "WONDER WHERE HE HAD TO GO FOR THAT STEAK? HE'S BEEN TEN-MINUTES NOW."
 Panel 4: "DIS AM A VERA NICE STEAK SIR. I DON PICKED IT OUT SPECIAL FOR YOU SIR."
 Panel 5: "DO YOU CALL THIS QUICK SERVICE?"
 Panel 6: "TWENTY MINUTES AND NOTHING TO EAT YET. FOR TWO-CENTS I'D GET UP AND WALK OUT OF HERE!!"
 Panel 7: "IT TOOK A LITTLE LONGER BUT I KNOW YOU WAS A VEER PARTICULAR MAN SO I HAD EVERYTHING SPECIALLY NICE."
 Panel 8: "THANK YUH SIR."
 Panel 9: "ALLRIGHT GEORGE."

Oriental
 Abrass II, Khedive of Egypt, is growing very fat, a circumstance the more noticeable because His Highness is so short. His physical condition makes him unpopular with his subjects, who see in it evidence that he apes the English. They were the first to fatten on the country.

Reliable
 The number of men and women who don't know what they are talking about is increasing in Canada. "Where do you get your information from?"
 "From the census report."
 Husbaby, baby, he still with your daddy.
 Your mammy has gone to the club. She's giving a reading upon infant feeding.
 In the meantime I'll fix you your grub.

"MR. BOSS I'VE BEEN WORKING HERE FOR 18 YEARS AT NINE PER WEEK AND I THINK THAT I AM ENTITLED TO A LITTLE RAISE. I'VE BEEN FAITHFUL AND ONLY MISSED ONE DAY DURING THAT TIME."
 "WELL BO, I WAS THINKING ABOUT YOU JUST YESTERDAY. YOU HAVE BEEN A GOOD AND FAITHFUL CLERK AND I WANT TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT BY YOU."
 "CLERKS."

"YOU SEE BO, THINGS ARE A LITTLE DULL RIGHT NOW AND WHEN YOU COME RIGHT DOWN TO IT NINE DOLLARS ISN'T SO BAD EVERYBODY ALWAYS SURE OF IT."
 "NOW, THINGS OUGHT TO PICK UP PRETTY SOON AND THEN WE'LL DO SOMETHING FOR YOU, JUST KEEP RIGH ON PLUGGING. YOU ARE ONE OF MY BEST CLERKS."

"NOW DON'T YOU WORRY ER, ABOUT YOUR SALARY, I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT ALLRIGHT."
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The Father Who Smokes.

To tell a boy not to do what he constantly sees his father doing is advice too absurd to need serious consideration, writes Charles B. Towns, in The Century. I have seen a father sit in a room blue with tobacco-a room in which all the windows were shut-and advise his boy not to smoke until he was twenty-one. To breathe smoke-laden air is to absorb some of the nicotine cases even of mild poisoning have resulted from this alone and hence to receive some of the stimulus it contains.

I knew an opium-smoker who had two black-and-tan dogs which he kept in the room with him while smoking. After a time they became so accustomed to it that they exhibited the same symptoms as the smoker when deprived of it-running at the eyes, sneezing, excessive nervousness. They grew to look forward to his smoking as eagerly as he did, and all through breathing the same air!

In a milder way a boy gets something of the excitations of tobacco and acquires a desire for it when he breathes atmosphere charged with his father's smoke. And besides the same physical incentive

he has something the dogs did not have intellectual curiosity to see what the sensation of smoking is like.

Thus the father who fills his house with smoke has in a threefold way created an appetite for tobacco in his boy: first, the boy has a disposition to smoke because his father does; second, because he is curious, and, third, because his respiratory passages are already craving the excitement to which they have become accustomed. The smoking father, in forbidding his son to smoke, virtually drives him to sneak around the corner for a cigarette to experiment with on the sly.

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