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Serving the People.

CONSOLIDATION of certain de-
partments is likely to be an-
nounced from Ottawa. There is the
air board, navy, Northwest Mounted
Police and the regular militia, with
four separate administrative staffs
and following.

There might be some hesitation on
the part of a minister going ahead
and making one management answer
for all these organizations, as there
are always plenty of men to give
plenty of reasons why anything
should not be done.

The ratepayers voted for greater
simplicity, less overlapping and a
cutting down of overhead at Ottawa.

It is a safe estimate that with the
consolidation of such a plan the Do-
minion could well save some mil-
lions of dollars a year.

MANY RUMORS continue to crop
up regarding appointments
that are being considered in various
quarters. It takes only a glance to
show how appointments have been
made in the past few years.

As far as appointments were con-
sidered, the Union government was
never in power at Ottawa. It is no-
torious that those who were placed
on the payroll of the country at that
time were Conservatives.

Since then patronage may have
been dead at Ottawa, but it was very
much alive every place else.

That is why there are so many
appointments in connection with the
war that are filled by Conservatives.
It is well to draw attention also
to the fact that some of these lists
can be thinned out. The war has
been over for some years, and the
work performed could be handled
quite as well in a more economical
way.

IF PATRONAGE had been aban-
doned at Ottawa, and merit and
years of service used as the basis of
promotion, how is it that Liberals
in the service have had practically
no chance at promotion in the ser-
vice in this district?

There have been appointments
made without the necessary examina-
tions—in fact, there are so many
cases where promotion by examina-
tion and service have been utterly
ignored that the supposed method
has become more or less of a joke
among many of the men in the ser-
vice.

Poor Work.

CITIZENS LIVING on streets
where unsatisfactory paving
has been done ask London court of
revision for a reduction in the cost
charged to their property.

This action is taken on the same
ground as a person who buys goods
and finds them not as represented
and then takes them back, asking
for a reduction. In that case any
reduction could be taken out of the
profits of the merchant.

In the case of the city, however,
if there is a reduction made in
work done by the city, it must be
made up by other ratepayers, and it
would be hard to convince them of
the justice of any such course.

When a private company carries
on work such as paving it is possible
to have a guarantee, deposited that
the work will last as long as the de-
bentures issued to cover it. Even
so, there are frequent cases in pen-
cils all over Ontario where pavements
have turned out to be real
gold bricks, and yet it has been im-
possible to collect a cent in way of
unearned guarantees.

As a matter of fact, there is not
a very satisfactory way known of
getting redress for a poor road. It is
unfair to ask the ratepayers to ac-
cept and pay for it; it is unfair to
ask them to pay more for having the
work improved, and it is also unfair
to ask other citizens to contribute
for a road that is no concern of
theirs.

The whole responsibility for such
a situation goes back to the time of
construction. There is no great se-
cret in laying pavement. There are
certain well-known principles to be
followed, and if they are insisted
upon results will come, and they will
be satisfactory.

A Generous Bequest.

DR. MEEK was one of Canada's
best physicians and surgeons.
He was one of the professors at the
Medical School for many years. Not
only did he do a great deal of good
going in and out among the citizens
of London and Western Ontario, but
he fitted others to go out and do the
same. His work did not end in West-
ern Ontario. He was known over all
Canada as one whose special knowl-
edge and skill had improved the
practice of his profession and intro-
duced new ideas.

By his will it is clear that he de-
sires the good work he began to con-
tinue after his death, that his work
shall live on. All his estate, after the
death of Mrs. Meek, that is, what-
ever he accumulated by the practice
of his profession or in any other
way, goes to the Western Uni-
versity Medical School. Half of the
proceeds of the sale of his residence
is to be used in teaching obstetrics,
and the remainder of the estate goes
to establish and maintain a patho-
logical laboratory, to be known as



the "Hamilton King Meek Memorial Laboratory."

Not only was Dr. Meek's great
talents devoted during his whole life
to doing good, but by the bequest
mentioned that good is projected
into the future, and will be accumu-
lating all the future years. The stu-
dents he taught will enlarge and
continue his work while living. His
active life benefited the present gen-
eration. His generous bequest will
benefit future generations.

It is evidence, too, that London-
ers are beginning to realize the per-
manent good of the Western Uni-
versity. The late J. B. SMALLMAN'S
large bequest, then HUME CROFT'S
practical gift, and now DR. MEEK'S
bequest of his whole considerable es-
tate to the Western University will
do great good, and put heart into
those who have the work in hand.
Other gifts and bequests in time will
follow.

Winter Carnival.

IN OTTAWA they have a winter
carnival. It is one way of
capitalizing on the zero mark.
Half the folks there are sliding
down a mile-long toboggan apparatus
on skis, while the press agents of
the hospitals and undertakers stand
along the side waiting to show their
wares.

Then a lot more of the residents
stand at a square in front of the vil-
lage inn looking at a monument
made of ice. Local wise men are
supposed to look at the Dr. Quack
weather almanac and see when the
monument is going to bend at the
unhappy and topple over.

Ottawa also gathers up a few stray
outsiders just now hear the voice
of the country thundering at them
to get down there and offer their
services to the payroll of the nation.

The high freight rates do not keep
them home.
By the time the session gets under
way Ottawa will once more be quite
a town.

The Youngsters Lead.

A STARTLING feature of the
suddenly-arrived wireless
telephone is that the majority of its
followers are boys in knee pants.
Go into a store selling wireless out-
fits, and you'll find six boys to every
adult among the customers.

The youngsters caught the idea in
a flash, and are "going to it."
Meantime, the grown-ups are snor-
ing away, with no definite idea what
this "wireless business" is all about.

Adult Canada will shortly be a
mossback, if it doesn't waken. The
youngsters are experimenting with
wireless wizardry while the rest of
us ride in stage coaches.

LITTLE 'TISERS

The Galt Reporter, referring to
some scheme, says: "The prospectus
reads well." Quite unusual, isn't it?

So far the Washington conference
has been getting on so well that we
don't know whether we'll be gassed,
shrapnelled or harpooned in the next
war.

Last week Canada had a national
fish day. No doubt to celebrate the
fact that although we have the finest
fisheries in the world we are about
the smallest fish eaters.

Papers, regardless of politics, ap-
prove of P. C. LARKIN as Canadian
high commissioner to London. A
man who has made a good, clean
success of his own business is a safe
bet for that London office.

It is now reckoned that the gar-
ment workers' strike in New York
cost both sides \$14,000,000. When
it gets firmly into the heads and
systems of both sides that they are
both going to lose money there will
be few strikes.

The Washington conference has
shown that it is possible for the na-
tions of the world to get together
and talk openly of things that were
formerly intrusted to dark rooms
and secret codes. It also shows

British diplomats leading, with the
Japanese second.

When MARGOT ASQUITH tried to
turn her bits of British near-scandal
into U. S. funds by a lecture in New
York, some of the crowd asked for
their money back. And a number
of Britishers have been inclined to
ask for their reputations back since
MARGOT cut loose.

The Kitchener Telegraph points
out that it is not always possible for
a municipality to start relief work
on a day's notice. There is always
a lot of engineering and financing to
be done first. A city that dashes
ahead at half-cock can readily get
into a heap of trouble.

There are no Canadians in the of-
fice of the Canadian high commis-
sioner in London. And right there
should be some 100 per cent Cana-
dians who can tell people the truth
about this country. Often a coun-
try or a firm is known most by the
people who represent it.

Toronto has been referred to in
many terms by many men, but here's
a real new one, fashioned, shaped
and delivered by the Financial Post:
"When the Toronto newspapers
learn to put a proper value on the
things that count and stop cater-
ing to the shallow-minded mob, the
chief cause of the city's present
unpopularity will have been over-
come."

Thomas Baldwin, 94-year-old Long
Island hermit, is found dead in his
shack. He died in rags, though he
had 25 good suits hanging about the
walls. Thomas probably got great
satisfaction contemplating the 25
suits and knowing that he would
never want for good clothes. If he
had read Poor Richard's Almanac,
by Ben Franklin, he'd have seen
this: "Wealth is not his that has it,
but his that enjoys it." Misers usu-
ally forget that money is only a
means to an end.

Members of the Dominion house
from Eastern Canada have been at
Ottawa several times recently, pro-
testing against the east being
snubbed in regard to the manage-
ment of the Intercolonial. From the
view of the man from the east there
is quite a case to be put up for re-
taining the management of the I. C.
R., and keeping it separate from the
National Railway. Unfortunately for
the east, the positive need of the
public purse of Canada is the out-
standing principle that must deter-
mine the management of the Na-
tional lines.

Is the ex-kaiser planning to marry
again? His choice is said to be the
widow of a German colonel killed
during the war. She was such an
intimate friend of the Hohenzollerns
in the old days that she was given
charge of the empress's jewels on the
eve of the flight to Holland. The
rumor about this Hohenzollern's
possible remarriage says that he is
lonely. Sounds logical. Few people
would care to exchange places with
him and be alone with his thoughts.

COMMON SENSE WAYS TO KEEP WELL.

What Your Tongue Shows

BY DR. R. H. BISHOP.

HE coated tongue
usually indicates
gastric disorders.
It is noticed in
acute diseases,
either dry or moist,
and is accompanied
by prostration.

Disturbances of
the digestive or-
gans are readily
observed by watch-
ing the condition
of the tongue.

If it is dry, there is gastro-intes-
tinal disturbance; if covered with a
thin, transparent coating, improper
digestion is usually at the bottom of
the trouble.

A heavy coating at the base of the
tongue is indicative, as a rule, of an
overloaded stomach, which should
be relieved by an emetic.

A dry, brown tongue is found in
cases of fever, high temperature and
much prostration. When the coat-
ed tongue becomes furred or shaggy

in appearance, an advanced stage of
disease is suggested.
A lack of alkaline elements in the
blood will often show up in the form
of a broad and anemic tongue. The
presence of an acid is shown by a
red and dry tongue.

In long continued fevers, or in
prostration, there is a marked di-
minution of the secretions—and this
includes the salivary glands—thus
preventing the normal moisture of
the tongue.
The shape is also often indicative
of conditions of the body. An irri-
tation of the blood supply of the
stomach and bowels may be observed
in cases showing an elongated and
somewhat pointed tongue. In im-
paired action of the digestive tract,
the tongue may be broad and thick,
showing evidences of atony.
In chronic diseases, when a fis-
sured tongue is present, it may show
an inflammatory condition of the
kidney. In acute diseases, a fissured
tongue may be indicative of kidney
disease or nerve center irritation.

READ YOUR CHARACTER

[By Digby Phillips.]

NO. 117—COLOR GRADATIONS.

In yesterday's article you saw that
the red-haired person is not so fiery-
tempered and impulsive as most people
seem to think. Previous articles also
have discussed the various indications
of dark and light hair and dark and
light eyes.

No one gets down to the detailed scale
of measurement.

The exceptionally irritable, impatient,
restive, fiery type is not the redhead,
but the albino, with hair that is such a
light yellow that it is virtually white,
and eyes that are virtually colorless.
But remember that if you find this kind
of hair with eyes that are a decided
blue or brown, you haven't the true
albino. Always measure first by the
eyes, then make allowances for the hair
and the complexion.

Next comes the flaxen-haired type,
with very light blue eyes and a shell-
pink skin. Light blue eyes denote more
"fire" than grey eyes. After this on
the scale is golden hair and a fair skin,
provided it is associated with grey or
blue eyes. Then comes red or auburn
hair, with grey or blue eyes, a fair skin,
and, most likely, with freckles.

Green eyes, though lighter, rank with
dark blue eyes, and when running true
to type, are found with light brown
hair and a medium skin. With dark
brown or black hair go hazel or light
brown eyes and a creamy skin. Then
come eyes and hair of dark brown, with
a decided though not extreme brunette
skin.

The other extreme is reached (with
Caucasians) with black hair, black eyes
and olive skin.

Tomorrow—Back-Sloped Heads.
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LEARN A WORD EVERY DAY

TODAY'S word is BLOC.

It is pronounced—Blank.
It means—a group in any politi-
cal assembly, as in Congress or a
Legislature, that votes together, in-
dependently of party lines.

It comes from—French "bloc," a
block or solid piece.

It's used like this—"The agricul-
tural bloc in Congress has influenced
the passage of many farm mea-
sures."

25 YEARS AGO TODAY

Here We Have Items of Local and District Interest,
As Recorded in The Advertiser of 1897.

MONDAY, FEB. 6, 1897.

Weather—Fair to cloudy, and
milder.

About 400 people went down to the
rink last night to witness the game
between Listowel and London. The
score was: Listowel, 4; London, 2.
The following were the London play-
ers: Hays, F. Reid, Kerrigan, Lind,
Hobbs, Barr, T. Reid, Referee, H.
Screaton, London, Umpires, St. C.
Nilson and W. K. Clinie, Listowel.

Last night the annual meeting of
the London Masonic Past Masters'
Association was held in the library
of the Temple, the president, R.W.
Bro. J. S. Dewar, in the chair, and
the following brethren in attendance:
R.W. Bros. A. B. Greer, Geo. C.
Davis and A. E. Cooper; V.W. Bro.
H. C. Simpson, J. D. Clarke and C.
A. Kingston; W. Bros. E. T. Essery,
John A. Balkwill, A. A. Campbell, O.
E. Brener, W. J. Clarke, T. R. Parker,
A. R. Galpin, W. H. Morgan, Neil
McNeil, A. C. Stewart and others.
Considerable business was attended
to, after which the following officers
were elected for the year: Hon-
orary president, R.W. Bro. J. S. De-
war; president, V.W. Bro. J. D.
Clarke; first vice-president, V.W.
Bro. C. A. Kingston; secretary-
treasurer, W. Bro. Thomas R.
Parker; auditors, W. Bros. W. H.
Morgan and Neil McNeil; executive
committee, W. Bro. W. J. Clarke,
chairman; A. A. Campbell, O. E.
Brener, E. T. Essery, A. C. Stewart,
John A. Balkwill, Joseph Hook and
Edwin Paul.

At a meeting of the Canadian
Shire Horse Association Friday the
following were elected delegates to
the Western Fair: R. Graham,

Claremont, and W. Charlton, Dun-
crief.

Mrs. Ward of Craig street last
night resigned the position of teacher
of the infants' class at the Askin
Street Methodist Church, a post
which she has filled for twenty
years. Miss Jessie Boake and Miss
Effie Johnston have been appointed
her successors.

J. Weld and S. J. Spencer and
Major McEwen, Byron, attended the
annual meeting of the Hackney
Breeders' Association in Toronto
yesterday. A paper on "Lessons
From the Shows," written by Mr.
Richard Gibson of Delaware, was
read by Major McEwen.

Last Friday evening at the home
of Ald. Winnett, King street, the
members of his young men's Bible
class of the Wellington Street Meth-
odist Church presented him with a
handsome set of volumes of Matthew
Henry's Commentary of the Bible.

The Waverly Literary Club, en-
joyed a delightful sleigh-ride Wed-
nesday evening. The party, after
driving around the city, proceeded to
the residence of Mr. John Suther-
land, Richmond street north, where,
after refreshments were served, an
impromptu toast list was introduced.
Mr. E. R. Dennis being toastmaster,
and the following gentlemen reply-
ing to the different toasts: Messrs.
Harding, president; Carson, Smith,
McNaughton, Lindsay, Dickson,
Bridie, Laskey and Keenleyside. Miss
Windor and Mr. Dennis afterwards
gave recitations, and Misses Simp-
son, Dickson and Ashwell, instru-
mental music.

Ridgetown will get the next 12th
of July celebration in that district.
The election of officers for the county

L. O. L. resulted as follows: County
master, Wesley Shaw, Thamesville;
deputy county master, George Cragg,
Dresden; county chaplain, Rev. J. J.
Haylock, Fargo; county secretary,
George Bedford, Bothwell; county
financial secretary, John E. Rich-
ardson, Keith; county treasurer, John
A. Syssons, Fargo; director of cere-
monies, Adam Irwin, Dresden; lec-
turer, Wm. J. Nilson, Chatham; de-
puty lecturer, Nelson Leeds, Wallace-
burg, and Richard Hill, Fargo.

A concert, under the auspices of
the Bible Class of the Knox Church,
South London, was held last night
in aid of Waterloo Street South Mis-
sion, and large attendance. Rev. J.
G. Stuart, the pastor, presided, and
the program was as follows: It
opened with a chorus, "Yachting
Glee," by the choir; solo, Mr. West-
lake; reading, Mr. Westland; solo,
Miss Martin; violin selections,
Messrs. Jex; solo, Miss Brown;
reading, Miss Colquhoun; male quart-
et, Messrs. Peters, Forbes, Irwin
and Westlake; instrumental solo,
Miss Wildern; solo, Miss Leys; read-
ing, Mr. T. Alexander; solo, Mr.
Givins; reading, Miss MacArthur;
solo, Liet. Col. Gartshore.

"Horse" Sense Applied to Humans

Farmers know that if they feed their
horses entirely on oats, the horses
would founder, go lame and soon be
useless. This is because oats make
too concentrated a food,—do not con-
tain enough waste to keep the or-
gans active and healthy. They must
also feed roughage, such as bran
and hay.

Concentrated, refined cereals and
coarse, waste-containing cereals, act
in a similar way on human beings.
That is why refined cereals fail to
provide all the necessary elements
for good health.

Roman Meal, the cereal combining
three whole grains, is a perfectly
balanced human food. It provides
the nutrition, as well as the rough-
age so vital in aiding digestion and
preventing constipation. It makes
delicious porridge. Try it. 30

GIRLS! LEMONS

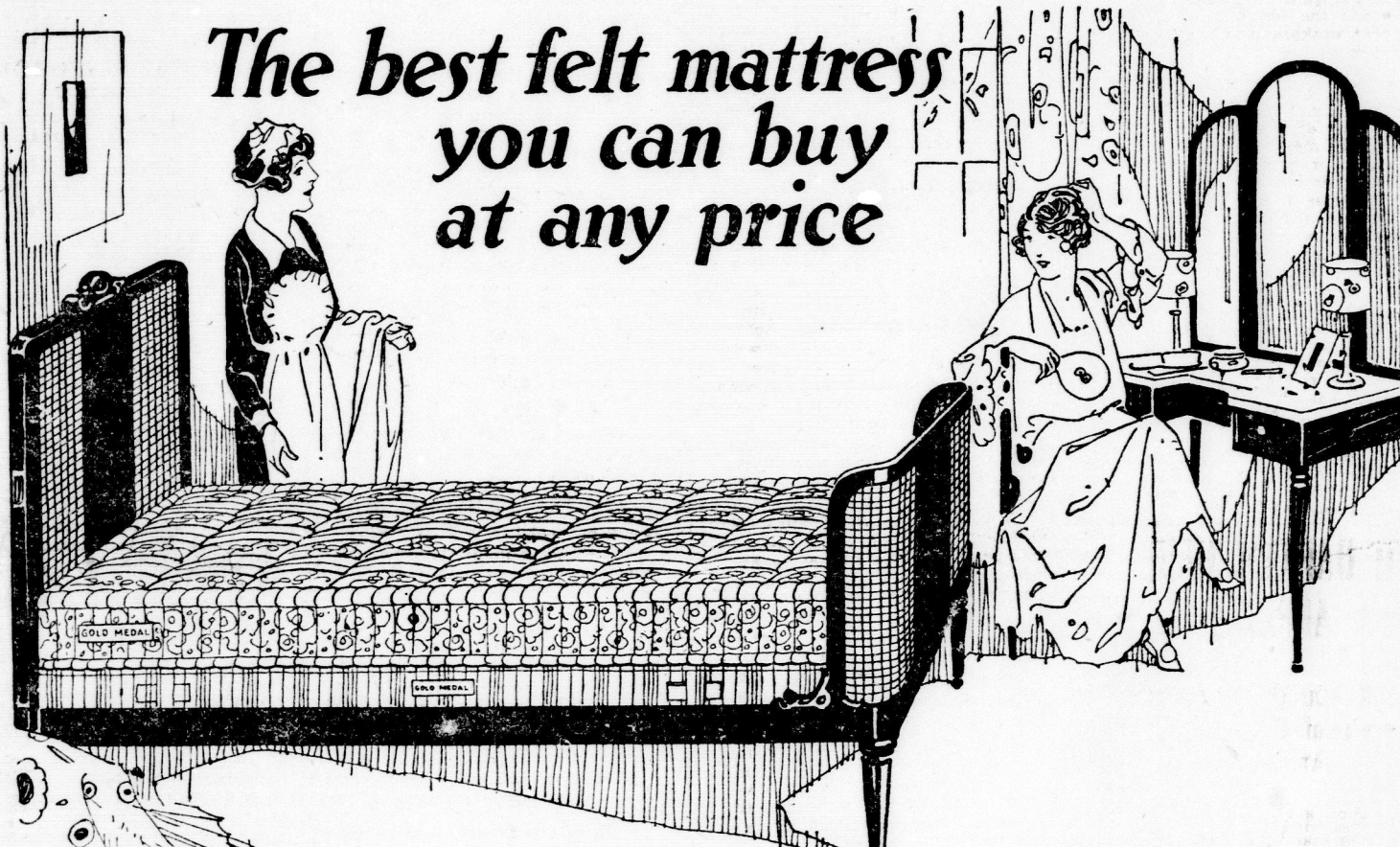
WHITEN HANDS

Press the juice of two lemons into
a bottle containing three ounces of
Orchard White, which any drug store
will supply for a few cents, shake
well, and you have a quarter-pint
of harmless and delightful lemon-
bleach lotion to soften and whiten
red, rough or chapped hands. This
home-made lemon lotion is far su-
perior to glycerine and rose water to
smoothen the skin. Famous stage
beauties use it to bleach and bring
that soft, clear, rosy-white com-
plexion, because it doesn't irritate.
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pepsia, loss of appetite and weight.
Redmac will fix you up in a few days.
The sale of Redmac is rapidly spread-
ing—from far and near the sick are
calling for this wonderful Tonic. If
you are not feeling up to the mark
go and get a bottle from your druggist,
who has been appointed sole agent.
Sold by Taylor's Drug Store, 231 Rich-
mond street, sole agents.—Adv.



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Pure, Safe, Guaranteed

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