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THE COUNTRY WANTS ACTION.

The proposed by-election in Saskatchewan to give the Prime Minister a seat in the House could not well have been brought on before February 15, the date set, but the extraordinary suggestion has been made that the debate on the Speech from the Throne, which is to begin on Monday, may occupy a month.

What is false? The Buffalo Times prints a picture of Thunberg, the famous Finn, and under the picture it presents the following "information" for the enlightenment of its intelligent public: "Here's the champion Swiss ice skater, who recently arrived in this country seeking further laurels. He will compete in the coming international races to be held in New York and St. John, B. C."

Odds and Ends

Killed One of Them (Washington Post) A gaunt and killed Scotsman recently made his appearance in a country village, and was endeavoring to charm his locals to charity with selections on his bagpipe.

A Courage Song (Tammas in Toronto Star) Faint not, sad heart, nor fret your soul with yearning.

Auto Aphorisms. (Boston Transcript) A hook in time prevents a line. Spare the pump and spoil the ure.

Just Fun

"YOU have a lot of cheek," he said gazing at the fat lady in the side-show. PULLMAN PORTERS say they don't want to be called George. We have found that they don't want to be called at all.

ANOTHER CRISIS in France, but still she does not realize that the debtor pays whether he pays or not. Amos, looking down the gun, pulls the trigger—just for fun. Brother says in accents pained, "Amos is so scatter-brained."

QUICK-THINKING safe-cracker (caught red-handed): "Aw, gimme a chance to explain—I'm a sleep-walker and I thought I was working my radio, dat's all."

PHILOSOPHY: Getting a kick and pretending to like it. THE OLD AXIOM to the effect that "Actions speak louder than words," is at least applicable to a moving picture show.

GETTING OLD is just a matter of using up the visible supply of thrills. But just go into a barber shop and watch them grow young. ANOTHER VICTIM Here lies the body Of William Garuth; He died of old age, In a telephone booth.

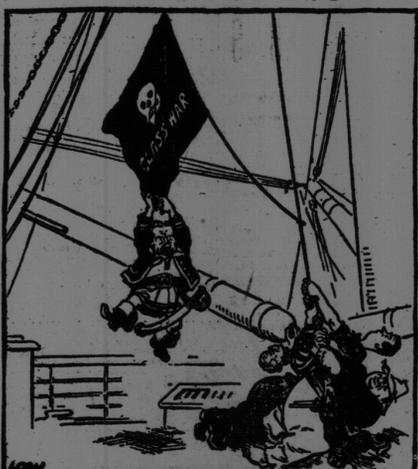
WE'VE seen all kinds of shops and shop-keepers, but we have yet to see a pork store run by a Hebrew. "HOW is it you are allowed to keep a puppy in your flat?" "We named him for the janitor."

IN the Japanese language there is no word for kiss. No wonder so many Americans are willing to go out and educate the Japanese. That word is so much easier to demonstrate than to spell. WE ARE BORN to live, and learn and love and lose.

IT IS SAID we dig our graves with our teeth, but the man having a new plate made says it's false. HE was the most popular man in the village, and was known for miles round as a good hip.

WEATHER FORECAST When the coyote howls at midnight, With that eerie howl of his, Then the weather either changes, Or remains just as it is.

The Mutinous Skipper



(Premier Baldwin is making strenuous efforts to avoid class warfare in Great Britain.) —From the Star, London.

The Best of Advice

BY CLARK KINNAIRD THE HEART OF LIFE

JOHN MASEFIELD, in a preface to a new edition of one of his best works, tells us that Tragedy at its best is a vision of the heart of life, and explains: "The heart of life can only be laid bare in the agony of an exultation of dreadful acts."

IF HIS MEANING is not clear to you, read the words over again slowly. TRAGEDY is the heart of life because pain is positive and happiness negative. This is why Aristotle advises us that "Not pleasure but freedom from pain is what the wise man will aim at."

THE truth and rapture of man are holy things, not lightly to be scorned. "A carelessness of life and beauty marks the glutton, the idler and the fool in their deadly path across history."

TURN, Fortune, turn thy wheel, and lower the proud; Turn thy wild wheel thro' sunshine, storm and cloud; Thy wheel and thee we neither love nor hate.

BRITAIN FIRST. (Brookville Recorder and Times.) It is well known that the last three years have represented a period of the utmost depression in shipbuilding. It is, therefore, all the more remarkable to note as recorded in The Motor Ship (London) for December, that there has been a very rapid increase in the tonnage of motor ships constructed.

Other Views SETTLERS AND COLONISTS. (Quebec Action Catholique.) Our government is engaging to disburse large sums of money to assist in the transportation of immigrants, while it persistently hesitates to offer similar assistance to real Canadians, who would prefer to establish themselves in the west rather than to emigrate to the United States. It is for this reason that it is more costly for a Canadian from Quebec to go to the west than for an emigrant from Britain.

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Twenty Years Ago Today

THE Swedish bark Cordillera which sailed from Saint John on Dec. 24th, 1905, was reported lost. All hands were saved. CAPT. BEN. KINGSTON publicly challenged any man over 50 years to a one-mile skating race. A RESIDENT of Indiantown had a lively race with a red fox while skating on the river. The fox eluded capture.

Dinner Stories

"NOW, THOMAS," said the teacher severely, "how many times must I tell you not to snap your fingers? Put your hand down, and presently I'll hear from you." Five minutes later she said: "Now, then, Thomas, what was it you wanted to say?" "There was a man in the entry a while ago," said Thomas serenely, "and he went out with your new silk umbrella."

AT a Washington reception a lady whispered in a shocked voice to a senator: "Look at that girl! I never saw such a décollete gown, and such transparent stockings. I'm shocked, for I always thought her a very quiet creature." "Perhaps," laughed the senator, "she's one of those who believe and practice the good old saying that young girls should be seen and not heard."

Who's Who

PATTY FIELD. The second woman consul to be appointed by the United States government is Miss Patty Field. She has been assigned to Amsterdam. Miss Field is an attractive young woman of 24 with, her examination show, an exceptionally brilliant mind. She was one of the 20 who passed the diplomatic examinations at which 120 pre-

son that it is more costly for a Canadian from Quebec to go to the west than for an emigrant from Britain. We are justified in presuming that our own people will continue to be forgotten in order that strangers may receive assistance.

THE TOWN COUNCIL of a small Scotch community met to inspect a site for a new hall. They assembled at a chapel, and at it was a warm day, a member suggested that they should leave their coats there. "Someone can stay behind and watch them," suggested another. "If you are going out together, what need is there for anyone to watch the clothes?" "How about backsliders?" said one.

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