



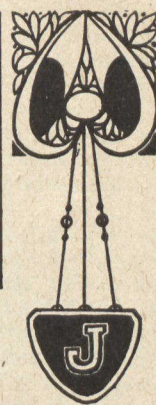
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Vacation Days

FROM about the first of May, most of us are anticipating the summer holidays, with a thrill that even Christmas hardly brings. Fortunate are those people who have a summer home awaiting them for the months of July and August and who are familiar with every aspect of the woods and rivers and lakes to which they are going. Canada is a country of hard work. Few of us are millionaires, but we have the golden opportunity to attain comfort if not competence which every new country affords.

The summer holidays mean a blissful time to the children, but the toil of much preparation for the housewife. Every year, the summer holidays become more important—perhaps, because the hurry and worry of business life have become greater, with a consequent demand for the rest and change of the vacation season. The poorest economy in the world, especially for the business man, or the woman with many household cares is the attempt to do without a holiday.

Do not make the holiday preparations too much of a burden. Live the simple life in food and raiment for, at least, two months of the year and you will be repaid in refreshed energies and renewed vigor when the month of September arrives. The summer holiday may be taken without going far from home. A change to farm-house for even a fortnight will do the city business man or woman a world of good. Even a camp in the woods will give the needed rest and change which may save a doctor's bill.

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Indecent Books

THERE are some good souls who cannot resist signing a petition, and who never pause to consider what is implied in their signature. They fail to recognize that there is any responsibility in asking for the release of a criminal. It is very seldom, in a country possessing a democratic form of government, that there is either sense or reason in a petition. It is an extremely bad habit to take hold of any community.

The recent release from the Central Prison of men who had pled guilty to selling and advertising filthy books was in direct opposition to the highest interests of the State, and the editorials in the *Globe* condemning such maudlin laxity were not an adjective too strong. This is a matter which affects vitally the homes of the land and which cannot be dealt with too sharply or sternly. The ordinary thief, or the man who commits a murder in the heat of fury is clean and companionable in comparison with the unnatural scoundrel who seeks deliberately to poison the mind and imagination of youth, either by book or by picture. This is no affair for quibbling or argument. Such stuff is not literature—nor meant to be a work of literary art. It cannot be compared with the great books of the ages, in which sin is truly, not viciously, represented and in which there is no purpose or intention of arousing the evil. The women of the country should do all in their power to prevent the dissemination of such filth. Those who exert themselves in behalf of the criminals who spread the poison are allying themselves with the harm. Offenders of that class should be isolated for life—with hard labor at that.

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The Girl Graduate

THE month of June does not belong to the bride alone. It is brightened also by the gowns and smiles of hundreds of girl graduates. School days are the jolliest of all, whether they may truly be called the happiest. It has been the custom to allude to

school-girl friendship as if it were a fleeting and merely sentimental affection. Yet it is one of the joys of youthful life, and the girl who has missed school-girl friends has been deprived of one of the greatest delights of existence.

The girls who have shared each other's tasks and "scrapes" for several years have known a comradeship with which nothing else in the world can compare. The friendships of those days are even more educative than the lessons themselves, for the college atmosphere means more than books. Although the Commencement Exercises may mean the separation of many friends and class-mates, the ties of those days are enduring. Often, in the later years, women who have known the trials and worries of the Larger School meet and laugh, with a touch of tears in the laughter, over the failures and triumphs of the days of algebra and botany. The girl graduate is so happy, so confident, so hopeful, that the wide world must wish her well.

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Welcome the Newcomers

NEVER was the tide of immigration so high as it is in the year 1910. Ship after ship is bringing its load of newcomers to the Dominion of wide, unpeopled spaces. We have land enough and to spare, and, if we can but secure the right class of immigrants, the development of our country during the next fifty years will be such as to justify Sir Wilfrid Laurier's prophecy that Canada would hold first mortgage on the Twentieth Century.

It is most important that those who are pouring into this country from European shores should be greeted in a kind and friendly spirit on their arrival. While there is a stern necessity for keeping out the pauper class and the diseased, there is every reason why honest and willing settlers should be given every encouragement. We refuse to be the dumping-ground for the criminals or the degenerate of Old World cities; but we are more than willing to throw open our gates to those who are not afraid of work and who are willing to go far in search of an abiding-place. The Peace River District alone will support many thousands, while the Pacific Coast is a happy hunting-ground for the Unemployed. Let us help the

new citizens to feel at home and to enjoy their first weeks in the Western World.

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Homes for Business Girls

ONE of the recent remarkable developments in our cities is the increased interest in good boarding-houses for girls who earn their own living. Anything drearier than the average lodging-house would be difficult to imagine. The very prospect on opening the door is enough to dismay the tired girl, returning from her daily round of nerve-wracking office work. The hall is usually dreary in the extreme, faintly flavored with cabbage or onions, the carpet is threadbare, the wallpaper is hideous, while the pictures are enough to give the unfortunate lodgers dreams of nightmare proportions.

However, the future is going to change this dreary state of affairs. Business men themselves have aroused to the necessity of giving working girls bright and comfortable surroundings, where the genuine "comforts of a home" may be obtained at a reasonable figure. It is all very well to find fault with modern conditions, to declare that they are all wrong, that woman's place is the home and not the business office. We must face things as they are and provide as best we may for the modern industrial problems, while we also strive to keep the daughters on the farm.



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