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NOTE AND COMMENT

Society women in England are said to be having their small toes amputated in order to accommodate their feet to the latest fad—the narrow pointed-toe shoe.

A radio signal was recently flashed around the world in the fifteenth part of a second without relaying. The feat was accomplished by the Annapolis Naval Radio station.

A bill is before the House of Commons to give returned soldiers settled on farms in Ontario under the settlement act of 1919, the mineral rights of the land. The titles now are minus this stipulation. This bill should pass without debate.

Hon. Manning Doherty has in hand a scheme for a co-operative company capital a million, to handle dairy products principally. The United Farmers' Co-operative Company, of which Mr. Morrison is one of the chief executives, thus is likely to have a new and powerful rival.

Ministers of the Methodist Episcopal church in the South must continue to shun tobacco, the nineteenth quadrennial conference decided at Hot Springs, Ark., last week. An effort to lift the ban was voted down by an overwhelming majority.

The town of Orillia, experimenting with silent policemen, has tried three kinds. The first one, of hollow cement, was too easily smashed; the second one of solid cement smashed the autos; and now a trial is being given one that rocks on his heels; if knocked over, he at once rises again as erect as ever. A good cop should be accommodating like this one.

The Brandon Sun praises the habit of walking, which physicians say is the perfect type of exercise. Builders of good roads ought to encourage the practice by making paths for pedestrians on one side of the road. Dodging automobiles is at variance with the care-free feeling that is essential to the enjoyment of a walk. No great expense need be incurred; here and there a grade would have to be corrected, or a couple of planks thrown over a ditch.

The fruit crop of the Niagara district has suffered very little damage from the wind and rain storms which have visited this section of late, and the prospects for a bumper crop are very bright. Some slight damage was done to the cherries a few weeks ago by a sudden change in the temperature, but this damage, it is expected, will be overbalanced by a bountiful crop of peaches, pears and grapes and other varieties.

At the annual meeting of the shareholders of one of the tobacco companies, gratitude was expressed at

the net profits of \$249,933. It is a grand and glorious feeling to perform some action evoking gratitude in another, so the next time you pass out 15 cents for the measly little packet of the charge for the pipe you get nowadays, don't let your mind harp on the noble package you used to get for ten cents. Think instead of the warm glow you are stirring up in those stockholders.

A Guelph doctor has discovered a case of a man with his heart on the right side. Where is this vital organ located in your anatomy? Are you an optimist or a pessimist in reference to the questions that loom up for the public good?

Advices from various centres in Ontario indicate that there will be an enormous increase in the number of candidates to write on the departmental examinations this year. These examinations include the lower school, middle school (Normal entrance), junior matriculation, upper school and honor matriculation. No reason can be definitely assigned for this unexpected increase, which is necessitating an enlargement of the staff which attends to the holding and supervising of the June examinations. It was unofficially stated that the number of applications received to date was approximately twice that of last year.

The Dominion minister of Agriculture, Hon. Mr. Motherwell, has announced that in order to facilitate the report to the United States on which an embargo now exists on account of European corn borer, inspectors will be stationed at Windsor, Sarnia, Niagara Falls and Port Stanley in the Province of Ontario, who will be empowered to issue certificates. At present none of the following can be sent across the border from Ontario points unless accompanied by a certificate showing freedom from the pest: Celery, green beans in the pod, beets with tops, rhubarb, spinach, oat and rye straw, chrysanthemums, asters, cosmos, gladioli and dahlias.

Nine times out of ten the man who takes a long time to explain himself is in the wrong. The same applies to the fellow who gets angry and says things when people doubt his word or cast aspersions on his character. The man who jumps every time he is hit has not only a thin skin but a sore conscience. When you hear a man scolding the pretenses make up your mind that he has got a dose under his hide and is feeling uncomfortable. The fellow who is sure of his ground and confident of his position cannot be worked into a passion by what anyone may say of him or his affairs. These long-winded explanations and hot-headed defences are the sure sign of an unsteady foundation. If you are right you can always afford to sit still and let your neighbor have his say out. You can size up a liar as soon as he gets into the witness box. He wants to tell everything and leave nothing for anyone else to say. The "multitude of words" is the unfailing refuge of the scoundrel. The good man as well as the wise says little even under provocation. In the multitude of words there is not only lack of wisdom but abundance of guilt.

Who has not been touched at some time or other by a worthless cheque? A St. Louis store displays a sign: "We have 33 worthless checks that we paid good money for; our collection is now complete." Another good sign hangs over the cashier's desk in a soda fountain: "We have entered into an agreement with the bank not to invade one another's business. The bank agrees not to sell soda water and we agree not to cash checks." Refuse to cash any cheque during banking hours. The banks are there to take the risk. If the banks are closed let the man with a cheque wait until they open.

Allan Craig Banner:—Take care of what you have and what you make, for no one else will do it for you. You may have the finest children, the best friends and the most capable help that can be got for money but it is only seldom that you can afford to leave them in absolute control of your interests. Most men need to watch themselves even when they make a little money for there are few who can stand prosperity. "Riches are not forever and doth the kind endure to every generation." This saying of the Wise Man of scripture should be hung in every office and store in the land to warn business men against being easy on themselves and careless with regard to others. It ought also to remind old skinflints and corner cutters that the game will be called on them sooner or later. There was an old fellow died the other day who had to be buried by his family, although twenty-five years ago he was worth over a quarter of a million. He became so grasping that he would not touch anything that hadn't the promise of twenty or twenty-five per cent. in it. The result was he was caught in a speculative venture and was cleaned out. He took to evil ways and had never lived with his family for years.

One of the most effective vermifuges on the market is Miller's Worm Powders. They will not only clear the stomach and bowels of worms, but will prove a very serviceable medicine for children in regulating the infantile system and maintaining it in a healthy condition. There is nothing in their composition that will injure the most delicate stomach when directions are followed, and they can be given to children in the full assurance that they will utterly destroy all worms.

The salary of a provincial minister is liable to assessment for Dominion income tax. The Supreme Court has handed down this decision.

Twenty-six branch banks were closed in Canada during the month of April and only two new ones opened—the Dominion and Provincial opened a branch.

Canada, it is expected, will receive in a short time a cheque for somewhere in the neighborhood of \$50,000,000 from the British Government on account of railway material supplied to Britain during the war.

Deposits of over a million dollars have been made in the Provincial Government Savings Bank since opening in March, which is being lent out to farmers after careful investigation of the security offered.

The utter inability of the Sinn Feiners to govern themselves has been fairly well demonstrated and the collapse of the Irish Treaty may be expected at an early date. The British Government will then have to reconquer Sinn Fein Ireland.

A match head does not think and when it becomes irritated it becomes excited and bursts into flame. Some men are like that. One would wonder what started them going, and it is impossible to estimate the damage that may be caused either by the man or the match.

There is a good deal of wild talk these days in respect to Canadian immigration. It has been suggested that ten million settlers be obtained within the next ten years. New settlers coming in should be hand-picked, nor should the city or townspeople be urged to work on farms as a farmer is not made in a day or two.

The members of the Ontario Legislature are to get another sessional bonus this year to help them over the demands made by the high cost of living. The amount will be the same as last year, namely \$600, making a total of \$2400 which each member will draw for his session's work. This amount should fully compensate them for any loss of business at home. But how about the civil servant Mr. Drury said the government "did not feel the present an opportunity time to increase salaries." Not very consistent, what!

Owen Sound Sun-Times:—No matter what conditions in life may be with you, above all things else live within your means. To do so will bring rewards in later years that will repay you for every privation and inconvenience you suffer. If your income is limited, your savings, of course, will necessarily be small, but the amount that you lay by at regular intervals in of secondary importance to the fact that you save something. No matter what your circumstances may be, live within your means.

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