

## A Boy's Prayer.

God, who created me  
Nimble and light of limb,  
Three elements free,  
Do run, to ride, to swim;  
At what the season is,  
But now from the heart of joy,  
Would remember him;  
Take the thanks of a boy.

God, King and Lord,  
Whose are my foes to fight,  
And me with Thy sword  
Swift and sharp and bright;  
See, would I serve if I might—  
And conquer if I can,  
From day—dawn till night;  
Take the strength of a man.

Spirit of Love and Truth,  
Breathing in grosser clay,  
The light and flame of youth,  
Delight of men in the fray,  
Wisdom is strength to me,  
From pain, strife, wrong be free;  
His best gift I pray,  
Take Thy spirit to Thee.

## Magnificent Quarters.

NEW CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

Work has commenced on the new building of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, which is being erected on the south side of Water Street, between the premises occupied by H. Milley and Ellis & Co. An examination of the plans and elevations of the building which have been prepared by the Dominion Realty Co., Ltd., Toronto, gives us the impression that the Canadian Bank of Commerce is the chief Newfoundland Banking office in St. John's to be in keeping with the many handsome and commodious buildings throughout Canada and the United States.

The building, which is to be of five story construction, will have three storeys and basement. The Water Street elevation will be architectural Terra Cotta and Cut Stone; the remaining walls will be of brick. The roof will be carried on a structural steel frame and the floors will be of reinforced concrete.

The Banking Room, which will occupy the entire Water Street front, is most conveniently laid out from the standpoint of the public as well as that of the staff. It will be finished in oak panelling with bronze windows and marble floor. Immediately to the right, after passing through the revolving door entrance into the Banking Room is the door leading to the Manager's Office, adjoining which is the Treasury Vault and a special booth has been provided for customers where they may privately examine their securities. In this connection, special safety boxes will be installed for rent.

The Mezzanine floor will be laid out as a working space for the stenographers and a special rest-room with fireplace has been provided for their use.

The Second floor has been planned with one object in view—the welfare of the staff. On this floor there will be a large number of bedrooms, which may also be availed of by out-of-town members of the staff visiting St. John's, a Den, Living Room, Billiard Room, Bathrooms and Lavatories arranged in a most satisfactory and comfortable manner. There will be a separate entrance from Water Street to the Staff quarters. The Bank's well-known policy of looking after the welfare of its staff is most commendable.

The Basement, of which the walls and floor will be water and damp proof, contains a store room for stationery, a large vault for books and records; in connection with which there will be a plunger elevator for transferring books, etc. to and from the Banking Room; also a filing space, coat room, and Boiler Room. In conjunction with the Boiler Room an ash-handling apparatus of the most modern type will be installed.

The building will be a valuable asset to the city, and we feel sure it will be of great assistance in taking care of the ever increasing volume of the Bank's business.

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MILITIA ORDERS—No. 62.

By Lieut.-Colonel W. F. Rendell, C.M.G.

1.—Honours and Awards:  
The King has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, in recognition of valuable service rendered in connection with the War:—

To be Commanders of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order.

Lieut.-Col. W. F. Rendell, D.S.O.

Lieut.-Col. W. F. Rendell.

The King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Royal Red Cross, Class II, to the undermentioned ladies in recognition of their valuable nursing services in connection with the War:—

ROYAL RED CROSS CLASS II.

Miss Mary Mahoney, Nurse-in-Charge, Military Hospital, Victoria.

Miss Daisy Stirling, V.A.D. Hospital, Infectious Disease Hospital.

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2.—Promotions:  
Second Lieut. H. H. Batson to be Lieutenant, with effect from December 1st, 1919; Second Lieut. R. Crawford to be Lieutenant, with effect from December 1st, 1919.

3.—Retirement:  
Lieut. H. H. Batson is retired with effect from December 3rd, and is placed on the Reserve of Officers.

W. F. RENDELL,  
Chief Staff Officer.

December 19th, 1919.

When you want something that will get KILLS, they're the best.

## Christmas Gifts for the Children!

There is no Gift that you may give to your many friends that will bring forth that sincere and rapturous gratitude as the gift you give to a child, providing that gift be a toy. We are devoting our space this week to Children's Gifts and of course that means

## CHRISTMAS TOYS.

Our assortment is large, as follows:—

Dressed Dolls, Jester Dolls, Trumpets, Drums, Puzzles, Roller Chimes, Sets of Tools, Go-Carts, Motor Bus, Sulkies, Rattles  
Air Ships, Tip Tops, Toy Villages, Toy Ranges, Tea Sets, Submarines, Gun Boats, Coast Defence Guns, Toy Reins,  
Dancing Niggers, Xmas Stockings, Flags and many other Toys too numerous to mention.

Union Jack Cushions,

Saturday Our Special Sale Day.

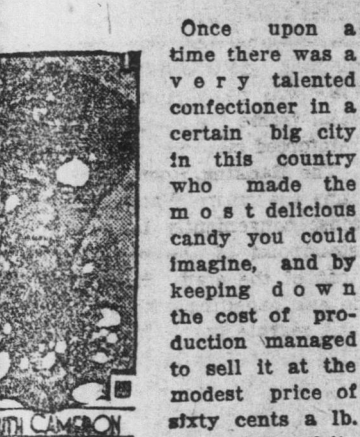
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Sweeping Reductions in Every Dept.

Marshall Bros

Side Talks  
by Ruth Cameron

## VALUE vs. WORTH.



RUTH CAMERON

Once upon a time there was a very talented confectioner in a certain big city in this country who made the most delicious candy you could imagine, and by keeping down the cost of production managed to sell it at the modest price of sixty cents a lb.

By reason of its deliciousness and reasonable price, the candy ought to have been a great success, but it was not.

For some years the confectioner's business went from bad to worse until finally a young man came into the business.

And what do you think was the very first thing he did? He put the price of that candy up a dollar and a half a pound.

Judging by the Cost.  
The old candy-maker was horrified at that. "We might as well shut up shop at once," he said, "if that candy wasn't good enough to sell for sixty cents a pound, it certainly isn't good enough to bring a dollar and a half."

"It isn't a question of the value of the candy," said the young man calmly. "It's merely a question of the price people like to pay. The general run of people don't judge a thing by its value, they judge it by its price. You wait and see."

He waited, and sure enough the sales of that candy began to take an upward curve and they've been skyrocketing ever since.

You see the young man was a good student of the weakness of human nature.

He knew that whatever costs us dear, we prize highly.

He knew that whatever we can buy for little, no matter how great it's

true value to us, we are sure to deprecate and under-value.

She Wanted to Pay a High Price.

Did I ever tell you how my paper-hanger once made a big sale?

He was showing a book of samples to the wife of one of the richest men in this country. She was attracted by one of the samples, but on finding that the paper was only 50 cents a roll, decided that it was "rather common looking" after all. A few minutes later he showed her the same sample in another book, this time telling her that the paper was \$2.50 a roll, and she immediately ordered it "because it has so much refinement and distinction."

It is the Same With Food.

"The errors in buying food supplies have their root in the mistaken notion that whatever is obtained at a small relative expense is common and unclean," says the great dietetic philosopher, Ellen Richards. "As a matter of fact, the cost of food is no measure of its nutritive value. 'Cheap' food is that which has required little capital or labor to produce. If once the public can disabuse its mind of any idea of close connection between food value and cost—namely, that a cheap food is a poor food, that a dear food is a good food—then a beginning in scientific dietaries can be made."

And so it is in every direction. P. T. Barnum used to say that the American public liked to be fooled. There is no question that they like to be cheated if they may pay high enough for the privilege.

I was cured of Rheumatic Gout by MINARD'S LINIMENT.  
Halifax. ANDREW KING.

I was cured of Acute Bronchitis by MINARD'S LINIMENT.  
LT.-COL. C. CREWE READ.

I was cured of Acute Rheumatism by MINARD'S LINIMENT.  
Markham, Ont. C. S. BILLING.

Lakefield, Que., Oct. 9, 1907.

## DON'T FORGET YOUR

## CHRISTMAS TURKEY!

Now is the time to book—Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Chicken to arrive.

Albion's Crapes, 20c, 40c and 60c lb.  
Grape Fruit.  
Dessert Apples.  
Medina Lemons.  
Cranberries, 40c. gall.

Bird's Custard Powder, 15c. pkg.  
Bird's Egg Powders, 4c. 10 lb. Onions, 60c.  
Nuts in the Shell—all kinds.  
Shelled Almond & Walnuts.  
Peanuts.

MAPLE BUTTER—16 oz. glasses, for pie filling. Cheaper than Oleo, 40c. glass.

MOIR'S CHOCOLATES in presentation boxes; also in 1/2's and 1's, Nut and Hard and Assorted.

Shipper Sardines.  
Norwegian Sardines.  
Anchovy Clams.  
Pickled.  
H. F. Sauer.  
Xmas Stockings, various sizes.

California Figs.  
Fish and Meat Pastes—small tins.  
Pan Yan Pickles.  
Robinson's Patent Barley and Groats.

LEA & PERRIN'S WORCESTER SAUCE.

MOIR'S PURE FRUIT SYRUPS—Large size.

A. T. WOOD'S ASSTD SYRUPS—Pint btl's, 45c.

MARVEN FANCY BISCUITS, 50c. lb.

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## Cheese

Now on Spot:  
200 Boxes Whole.  
150 Boxes Twin.  
September Make.

Buy now to save money. Cheese have advanced sharply.

## Soper &amp; Moore

Wholesale Grocers.

PHONE 480.



Just Folks

Edgar A. Guest

DO THE BEST YOU CAN.

When you've done the best you can. Face the outcome as a man. If you've kept your record true, Failure leaves no stain on you. If you've fairly fought to win Till the last return was in, You may keep your head erect; You've done all that men expect.

Life demands no prize of gold. When your story shall be told, Nor does God command your soul To attain some far-flung goal. Men have bravely fought and died. Missing all for which they tried And yet glorified on high By the deeds they dared to try.

Not by victory alone Is man's earthly glory shown; He who does the best he can Has fulfilled his Maker's plan. This is all life asks of you: That you keep your record true; That you do not sell your soul Or play false to reach your goal.

Work and wait and face the fray With such courage as you may. Fight for truth with all your might. Give your utmost for the right. And then fall or even die. But be glad you dared to try! For you quit this life a man, If you've done the best you can.

## Some Big Fish.

It was the annual match of the Ketchikan Fishing Club, and sport was wretchedly bad. The next day one of the anglers who had taken part in the contest was found in the smoke-room of the Anglers' Rest by one of his "pals" looking very down in the mouth.

"What's up, old chap? Didn't you catch anything yesterday?"

"Yes, I caught one right enough, the only one as was caught."

"You did well, Jack. I reckon you'll get first prize."

"No! It was no go. I'd put it in me pocket, and when they came to weigh in, I couldn't find it anywhere. But at night, when I got 'ome, I found it in me watch-key!"

If the platter of meat or fish is small, place a row of vegetables around the meat to make it go farther.

## INDIAN SUMMER.



WILL MASON

Bless the Indian who invented balmy days which bear his name, days which make us all contented with the old world's changing game. Just before the wintry weather we are handed this sweet boon, mild and mellow days together, like fond memories of June. All the distances are hazy, and the brooklets croon and sing, and we mortal jays are lazy, with the laziness of spring. And the Indian who invented this soul-soothing interlude, should be sought, where he is tented, in his native solitude; and when we at last have found him in the region of his birth, we should load him and surround him with some tributes to his worth. We should give him something useful something that Poor Lo desires, plug tobacco, or a goose full of the stuffing he admires. For that savage is a hummer and a dandy and a jo, who invented Indian summer, when no nipping zephyrs blow; when the days are mild and sunny and no brooding cloud appears, when the timid patient bunny, doesn't have to thaw its ears. Let the Indian be rewarded who worked out a scheme so wise; may it never be recorded that true merit draws no prize.

## Household Notes.

Large Italian chestnuts can be boiled, then fried, drained and salted. Cover left-over cold beans with left-over tomato sauce and heat thoroughly in a baking dish.

Do not fill the coal box of the kitchen range above the firebrick, and the oven will heat better.

To test the sugar syrup for candy drop it from a spoon; it should spin a thread eight inches long.

The steak bone, a bit of celery, some potatoes and parsley will make two dishes of good soup.

Cauliflower boiled the usual way can be covered with grated cheese, then browned in the oven.

Anything that is taken out of fat should be thoroughly drained, or it will be soggy with grease.

Cornmeal mush is better made at home. It should be boiled for one hour at least before it is taken up.

Prunes are best put on the back part of the stove in cold water and allowed to come to a boil quickly.

Never fill the kettle quite full of water, as water expands when it is hot and causes the kettle to boil over.

If boiled eggs is beaten with the whites of the eggs until it is too stiff to run, it will make thick, beautiful icing.

## Important!

Every man starting out in business will have to go over a hard road and find out its turnings for himself. But he need not go over his road in the dark if he can take with him the light of other men's experience.

DR. F. STAFFORD & SON have the experience of supplying all kinds of Drugs, Patent Medicines, etc., at the very lowest possible prices. Large stocks of Dodd's Pills, Wampole Oil, Fletcher's Castoria, Gin Pills, Carnol, Beecham's Pills, Sabadilla Powder, Keating's Insect Powder, White Pine and Tar, Phosphate, Prescription "A", Headache Wafers, Menthol Plasters, Belladonna Plasters, Strengthening Plasters, Tissue Cream, Nyl's Face Cream, Parotid Cream, Cold Cream, Essence Peppermint, Friar's Balsam, Tincture Iodine, Castor Oil, Linseed and Turpentine, Syrup Hypophosphites, Condition Powders, Tooth Pastes, All Toilet Articles and hundreds of other preparations too numerous to mention.

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Preparedness!!  
The Xmas Slogan.

A good beginning makes a good ending to Xmas Shopping—shop early.

Days are flying as they always do when the Xmas Season comes around, and when there are so many preparations to make Xmas Eve will be here before you know it.

Fancy Goods are most largely demanded as Xmas Gifts, and in our Fancy Goods Dept., early in the shopping season, you can surely find a suitable gift for every one on your list. How about the following articles? They are only a few chosen at random from our stock.

## Silverware

Cruets  
Table Silver  
Photo Frames  
Jewel Cases  
Clocks  
Hand Bags

## Silk Stockings

Boxed Handkerchiefs  
Brush and Comb Sets  
Shaving Sets  
Smokers' Outfits  
Afternoon Tea Trays  
Ladies' Purses

Glove and Handkerchief Sachets.

Remember to shop early. First week of December shopping will be a pleasure. Second week it may be satisfactory. Third week it will be a whirl, and the last half week will be a crush!!! Shop early.

U. S. PICTURE AND PORTRAIT CO.,  
Water Street, St. John's.

## Xmas Confectionery!

We have now ready for delivery:

3 tons MOIR'S CAKE—Bulk and 1 lb. pkgs.)  
400 doz. MOIR'S HALVES. 200 doz. MOIR'S ONES.  
800 5-lb. XXX BULK CHOCOLATES—Presentation boxes in grand variety.  
200 pails CHOCOLATES, MIXTURES, HARD CANDIES, KISSES, ETC.

ORDER AT ONCE AND AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.

P. F. FEARN & CO., Ltd.

200 Water Street.

June 23, 6m

## How Peerages Die Out.

During the century between 1800 and 1900 no fewer than 124 peerages became extinct, owing to the holders having no heirs to succeed to the titles, and since the extinction of titles has progressed at a decidedly more rapid pace.

Some of the best-known holders of peerages, men who have won their titles by their own brilliant feats, have left no son to succeed them. The names of Lord Kitchener and Lord Roberts are among the first that will

occur to everyone. Lord Roberts lost his only son in South Africa.

The great Lord Kelvin, so prominent in the scientific world, left no heir at all. Nor did Lord Brampton, better known as Sir Henry Hawkins.

Lord Lister, again, the inventor of antiseptic surgery, had no one to carry on his title, which has thus become extinct.

Lord Rowton died without an heir; while of living peers who are much in the limelight Lord Milner and Lord Northcliffe have no sons to succeed them.

A large number of heirs to titles

have lost their lives in the Great War, yet there is no risk at present of the House of Lords becoming extinct.

The new creations are very numerous, and last year no fewer than thirteen new peerages were granted. These do not include the promotions such as that of Lord Bertie, who from baron becomes viscount, or the Earlom of Eltham granted to Prince George of

Teck.

There are no fewer than nineteen peerages in their own right, and it seems that these will now have the right to sit in the Upper House.