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Editorial

PUNCTUALITY—THE THIEF OF TIME

HAD DR. YOUNG, the sage and serious author of "Night Thoughts," had experience of twentieth-century public meetings on this continent, he might have supplemented his line, "Procrastination is the thief of time," with another to the effect that "punctuality" in attendance may be responsible for time-wasting and tiresome waiting.

Why is it that, in connection with so many functions, Canadians get into the habit of beginning considerably behind time? Not occasionally, but frequently, it happens that meetings of various organizations are much delayed in starting and then the proceedings are dragged out to a late hour with a steadily diminishing company.

The time is ripe for organizations and officials who call meetings and send out programmes to notify the recipients that the business, even if it be an entertainment, will be begun "on time."

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ROTARIANS AND EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

The Vancouver Rotary club has evolved and progressed in service and sociability since its inception five or six years ago, and its executive is to be congratulated on the

arrangement of such an evening's programme as was carried through recently in the Hotel Vancouver. The excellent dinner served to club members and many guests was not marred by being waited on for some time, but allowance would need to be made for such delays in arranging an evening's entertainment. If it would not be ungracious for a guest to comment on the programme, the reminder might be noted that too many good things may be crowded into one evening. The pictures shown relative to the starting of the fur trade on this continent were such as to arouse the interest of the company in the lecture set for later in the evening by the Hudson's Bay Company's fur specialist. It was therefore regrettable that the descriptive and informative address of that gentleman had obviously to be curtailed. He was evidently a practical expert of long experience in fur conditions of the country and his expositions were of that happy kind that combine useful information with entertainment.

Two other features of the evening were equally notable though their appeal was in different directions. Dr. Mackay's address in connection with what may be called

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