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## Just Folks.

By EDGAR A. GUEST.

### HOPE

There's hope in a place, however dark.  
There's hope in a prison cell.  
There's hope that lighted up Noah's Ark.

Till the raging waters fell.  
And there's never a breast so bleak and bare  
But the spark of hope is glimmering there.

There is hope whatever the place may be  
There is hope in the darkened room.

Hope on the storm-tossed, angry sea  
And hope at a loved one's tomb.  
And there's never a heart so sorely torn

But can cherish the hope of a brighter morn.

Hope can shine through a gray stone wall  
And barriers strong and stout.

And hope can answer the faintest call  
And no power can shut it out.

Though a man be shackled and locked away  
Hope sinks to him a better day.

For hope will follow the will to be,  
And go with the will to do.

And there's none so low in this world but he  
May fashion his life anew.

For hope shall shine through the darkened day  
Till the last brave man shall have passed away.

**A Floating Bed-Room.**

A "dancing-ship" is the latest novel enterprise of an Australian ex-officer. Dancing on an old ferry boat to the strains of a perfect orchestra, by the twinkling lights of Sydney Harbor, is now the rage of the fashionables of that Australian town.

Some months ago an old ferry boat was purchased by the ex-officer and thoroughly overhauled and redecorated. The best dancing floor procurable was installed on deck; and a modern kitchen below. A paragon of French chefs was engaged and placed in charge of the culinary arrangements.

For about \$3.50, the jazz enthusiast may dance until midnight amid ideal surroundings; and sit down to a repast that would do credit to the best hotel in London.

At 8 o'clock the brilliantly lighted dancing ship leaves Circular Quay with its freight of happy jazzers. Calls are made at all the nearby ferry wharves to take on board more pleasure-boat parties. The ship slips down the harbor to a selected spot and drops anchor.

The jazz band strikes up and the couples glide under the glow of the colored Chinese lanterns. The water is smooth and beautiful and the twinkling lights of passing ferry boats add an Eastern glamour to the scene. There is a full moon, and the sub-tropical air is balmy and exhilarating. While the orchestra rests, the gentle lapping of the water against the ship's side provides exquisite music. What dance could desire a more perfect setting.

A four-course supper is served in the artistically illuminated saloon. At midnight the violins and banjos sigh to a reluctant close. The anchor is weighed and the ship steals home with its satisfied passengers.

## Canadian Girl is Star on Broadway.

NEW YORK, (By Canadian Press)

Ethel Wright, a Canadian, born in Montreal and educated at Sacred Heart Convent, who at the Ritz Theatre, is achieving distinction playing the rector's wife, a mother of seven children, in Sir Arthur Wing Pinero's "The Enchanted Cottage."

Bringing to the performance, says the Sun, "one of the quaintest touches of comedy to be found on Broadway today." But Miss Wright does not consider at all ridiculous the character of "Mrs. Correllia" with one child "hovering between heaven and earth, so to speak," and seven others who have "ceased to hover."

Speaking of her characterization of "Mrs. Correllia," Miss Wright says, "I believe in large families, and for all her whimsical quaintness and provincialism, Mrs. Correllia, with her brood of little Correllias, has a dignity I never try to forget."

Miss Wright is of the opinion that the fathers and mothers of large families should assign their own unrealized ambitions to their children, who, under parental guidance, might achieve the hopes and dreams of their parents. Miss Wright made her stage debut in "An Enemy of the King," with the famous Proctor Stock Company at His Majesty's Theatre, Montreal. She was first acclaimed by New Yorkers at the old Garrick Theatre in "The Royal Mounted," in which she played the role of "Mrs. Trudeau." Her success in this is still vivid in the memory of those who saw it.

To make corn bread without eggs, mix into a mixing bowl a cup corn meal, a half cup flour, a teaspoonful baking powder, four tablespoons sugar, two teaspoons salt, and then add two tablespoons melted shortening and a cup of milk. Beat well, then bake in greased cake pans for twenty minutes.

## Bootleggers Will be up Against it.

EDMONTON, Alta.—Boundary bootleggers and bank bandits are in for a hard summer if they attempt any spectacular raids in the province of Alberta. The provincial police department has been equipped with motor cycles and machine guns and the efficiency of the new squad was recently demonstrated when a test was made before members of the provincial legislature. The machine guns are the latest thing, something on the order of the chaser airplane where the machine is pointed to aim the gun. The operator steers the motor cycle by moving the grip stock of the machine gun, thus keeping the firing bandits continually under the sights of the gun and following the motor cycle. In a recent test, 62 hits were made out of 70 shots by a gunner with the motor cycle racing 60 miles an hour. Six motor cycles with side cars have been provided for the new squad, but only two of them carry mounted machine guns, although the officer in the side car can carry a portable Lewis gun. Tear bombs were also demonstrated during the test before the legislature, but an unscheduled event occurred during the exhibition. As a motor cycle passed the assembled members a tear bomb accidentally exploded. The gas caused legislative eyes to stream and noses to sneeze while one sufferer had to be given first aid treatment.

## Silver Plate Hall Marks.

It is interesting to know that all silver plate bears upon it a complete history which, minute as it is, can be readily read by the expert jeweller or silversmith. By studying the marks, the place, the time of manufacture, and the name of the manufacturer is revealed.

The majority of people are aware that silver for making articles of plate and adornment must be of a certain standard for the articles to be stamped upon the articles by the different assay offices of the United Kingdom.

The standard of silver is .925, or 11 ozs. 2 dwts. of fine silver and 18 dwts. of alloy, making twelve ounces standard silver. It may be here mentioned that it is believed that the word alloy comes from the French a la loi, which phrase was originally used relative to the amount of copper allowed by the law for hardening silver.

The manufacturer of silver plate and silver articles makes up his pieces, then of standard silver. Then he generally has stamped upon them his initials or mark. Those of famous houses are readily recognized.

The manufacturer next sends the plate to the assay office to be tested. The principal assay offices are in London, Birmingham, Sheffield, Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Chester, but there are others. Birmingham is probably the busiest one.

Let us suppose a piece is sent to the Goldsmiths' Hall in London. The assay office there, should the article be of silver up to standard, is stamped with a lion passant (walking), which is the English mark for standard silver. The article is next stamped with a leopard's head, which is the hall mark, that is the mark of the London Assay Office.

It is rather curious that a number of people confuse these marks, and have a vague idea about them. They will say, "Oh, 'real silver' has a lion's head upon it," mistaking the leopard's head for a lion's head. But so-called "real" silver has other marks, according to the assay office to which it is sent to be stamped.

For instance, should the article be sent to Birmingham instead of to London, it will still be stamped with the lion passant, used all over England, but the hall-mark will be an anchor. For Sheffield the hall-mark is a crown.

These three places are where the most important assay offices are situated, and they have all a similar system for putting a date-mark upon silver. A letter, which is changed every year, is used. For instance, the Birmingham date-mark for 1921-2 is a "w." For 1922-3 it will be "x," for 1923-4 it will be "y," and for 1924-5 it will be "z."

The London assay date-mark for this year is "g," in Old English type. Those engaged in constantly passing silver through their hands make it their business to ascertain the date-marks, both past and present.

As to the hall-marks, these, as has been explained, vary according to the town. The three principal ones have been mentioned. But Chester Assay Office uses a town mark—a sword erect between three garbs (sheaves of wheat). Exeter has the city arms—a castle with three doors.

Silversmiths made in Scotland is distinguished by a different standard mark. A lion rampant (standing) instead of a lion passant is used. Silver marked in Edinburgh differs again, for it is marked with a thistle, its hall-mark being a castle, which is the town mark. The date letter for Edinburgh silver for 1921-2 is a "p."

It should, of course, be understood that single pieces of silver, unless they are very fine or elaborate pieces, are not usually sent to the assay offices. The big manufacturers send their silver in parcels, and charges are made accordingly. At the London Goldsmiths' Hall for articles under 10 dwts. each in weight a charge of 12c. per dozen is made for assaying.

For 10 dwts. and over the charge is 3c. per ounce. For chain work—albert, necklet, meat-bags, and purses—the minimum charge is 8c. each. The lowest charge for a parcel of silver is 24c.

Assaying is a very simple matter. A scraping is taken from each part of the article to be assayed, wrapped in lead of proportionate weight, and the whole is heated. In the result all the alloy metal is absorbed and a pellet of pure silver remains, the weight for which, in proportion to the original weight of the scrapings, gives the fineness of the silver assayed.

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