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Times.

BY H. L. RANN.



Time is a precious commodity which few people take seriously until they can see the end of it. Then they begin to back water with the aid of hair dyes, short skirts and complexion renovators.

No substitute for time has ever been invented, and as a result this world is full of eleventh-hour confessions and death-bed repentances. When a man gets down to the place where he can look over the brink of time and see what is coming, he won't haggle over making restitution and throwing in 8 per cent interest. Thousands of codicils have been attached to wills drawn by tight-fisted relatives who would be glad to trade a bunch of steam-heated flats and other city property for two weeks of time and a full breath.

Time is divided into three parts—past, present and future. Past time is something which youth tries to forget and age tries to recall. A person is said to have a checkered past when he can't think of it without waking up at night and perspiring in cold, clammy accents. Every once in a while somebody whose past is frescoed with liver spots is not able to sleep until he refunds the price of a stolen ride in a box car twenty years ago, after which he feels better and can get some enjoyment out of the sermon.

Present time is so cheap that too many of us use it as fuel, burning it up in gab, gadding and gossiping. If the years wasted in auction bridge, light-headed fiction and talk which never gets anywhere could be tacked onto the end of life, some people would break old Methuselah's record in a walk.

Future time is something which most people refuse to think about until the family physician is called in. It consists of to-morrow and the day after, and is used to return borrowed books and repay loans with. It is a very handy article, as it does not interfere in the least with the enjoyment of people who keep their work so far ahead of them that they never catch up with it in this life.

World Methodist Headquarters.

Sir Robert Perks, the foremost Methodist layman of the world, has so far attained his great ambition as to be able to open the Methodist Church House in London. This House occupies the site of the old London Aquarium, and is the centre for world Methodism. Much emphasis is laid by Methodists upon the fact that it is close neighbor to Westminster Church House, the world center of the Anglican communion. It was Sir Robert who made this great Methodist world center possible. Fresh from his success of raising one million guineas from one million Wesleyans, or, to be more exact, about 750,000 Methodists, he proposed this Church House. The English Wesleyans were against, not merely at the expense to be incurred but also at the boldness of a Nonconformist body venturing into Westminster's exclusive preserves. The wildest follower of John Wesley never dared before to breathe such hope. Sir Robert came to his support. He also appealed to Wesleyans of England to come to his support. He also appealed to Methodists in America to do the same. As in previous ventures, Sir Robert succeeded. The balance of the purchase money for the site, another \$1,000,000, was raised, and Methodists own the most strategic site in the world for such headquarters. Houses of Parliament are a stone's throw distant. It is the centre of the world of political, religious and literary affairs. Sir Robert in America on business, reported the outcome to American Methodists with tremendous zeal, and bade them enter into the heritage that has cost them next to nothing. Not content with conquests in England, Sir Robert has repeatedly visited America and urged upon American Methodists some of his ideas. He wants a similar Methodist headquarters in New York co-operating with the one in England, and he desires American Methodists to have part in his brotherhood by which Methodists of the world help each other in whatever land they are.

A Cup of EPPS'S GRAPEFUL COMFORTING COCOA

For Breakfast, Supper, or as a mid-day beverage, is the best thing that can be taken.

Sustains and nourishes the body, and keeps the mental faculties clear. It is a cup of real comfort and health, and not a mere passing refreshment.

Children thrive on EPPS'S

Wedding Bells.

At Conche, Nov. 11th, 1912, a very pretty wedding took place in the little Church of the Sacred Heart, when Mr. J. M. O'Neill, son of the late John and B. O'Neill, led to the altar Miss Norah Casey, the charming and estimable daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Casey. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. A. Thibault, and the bride one of our most estimable young ladies looked a perfect dream of loveliness in a white silk bridal veil and wreath of orange blossoms. The groom was supported by his young brother Master Mike O'Neill and Mr. Ambrose Casey, brother of the bride. The bride was attended by Miss Maud Flynn, niece of the bride and Miss Aylward, our esteemed teacher. Both young ladies looked very pretty in cream nuns veiling and carried bouquets of lilies of the valley. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents where guests to the number of 80 were entertained at a sumptuous repast and music and dancing indulged in till the wee sma' hours of the morning. Then all returned to their homes thoroughly pleased with the night's festivities and wishing Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill a happy and prosperous future.—Com.

More Light.

Our new 40 candle power lamp can supply more light at less cost than any other system of Artificial Lighting. This lamp is especially designed for use with our new ten-cent Slot Meter. Drop ten cents in the slot, and the lamp will run for 22 hours, giving a light of 40 candle power. Call and get full particulars of our "Special Fitting" Slot Meter proposition, or phone 97.

ST. JOHN'S GAS LIGHT COMPANY.
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Accused of Tying Girl Across Horns of a Cow.

Pete G. Hanson, a farmer at Grierson, 80 miles northwest of Winnipeg, is sought by the Manitoba police, who accuse him of tying a young woman to a cow's horns. Maggie Waruski, the daughter of a neighbor, is seriously injured, perhaps fatally, as a result. The story is to the effect that Hanson, who was enamored of the girl, became angry at her coldness and threatened revenge. This revenge is said to have consisted of knocking the girl unconscious and binding her firmly across the animal's horns. The cow took fright and dashed into the bush, tearing off the young woman's clothes against the trees. When the animal became exhausted it fell and the girl was crushed against the earth. She was trampled under the cow's feet when it tried to arise. Neighbors, hearing the screams in the woods, cut the girl loose.

Raised \$250.

Yesterday the collection made for the widow of Abraham Kelloway who was drowned from the schr. Duke, was supplemented by another \$50 subscribed by different people. This makes \$250 in all which the family likely needs as they are not all in the best of circumstances.

THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE.
Mr. T. M. White's Company will give a theatrical performance in the Casino Theatre to-night to help a worthy object.

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'In the Gloaming'

This is the title of the Calendar J. M. DEVINE, "The Right House," gives his customers for 1913. The picture is most beautiful and goes with a purchase of \$1.00 upwards.

The Artist, Mr. J. Ross Bryson, America's foremost artist in pastel, was born in Montreal, Canada, some forty years ago. After serving an apprenticeship in decorative work in the schools of the English provinces, he studied many years in the various art centres of Europe, notably Paris and Berlin. He first attracted the attention of the world by his work in oil, but a little later he adopted almost exclusively pastel, believing its softness and transparency more effective in portraying delicate effects. The graceful witchery of his dainty filmy draperies has been equalled by no other artist, and his studies have enjoyed wide prosperity among picture collectors and publishers.

In our judgment, "In the Gloaming" is the best picture that Bryson has yet produced. The face—dreamy, wistful—with its langorous dark eyes; the Titanesque hair and the dim outlines of the background, with its harmonious color-toning, all mark the very acme of this noted artist's skill.

The Third week of our
Great Sale, and still going
some.

J. M. DEVINE,

"The Right House,"
Water Street East.

Hardware Dept.

SKATES

Hardware Dept.

The Frost King is here—turning with his icy breath all the brooks and ponds to beautiful, smooth glassy sheets of ice. The Holidays are nearly here—gladdening the hearts of children, and their minds are already planning what glorious fun they will have, skating.

The most important question now is,—Have they got Skates? If not, they'll need them right away, and we can supply them with every kind, from the most inexpensive to the very best, and each pair is the finest quality of its kind.

Before buying elsewhere, call and see the new models we are showing.

SKELETON SKATES 25c. up. HOCKEY SKATES 40c. up
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BEAVER SKATES.
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100 pairs Hockey Skates,
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There's no better filling for Christmas Stockings than our Choice Footwear. No gifts more sensible—no gifts are appreciated more.

A Christmas Souvenir given free to every purchaser of a pair of Buster Brown Shoes, also with every pair of Children's Boots.

A FEW SUGGESTIONS.

FOR MEN.	FOR LADIES.	FOR CHILDREN.
We've Shoes for Street or Dress wear. Storm Boots and Waterproof. Storm Rubbers, doubled soled and rolled edge. Also Areties. Handsome House Slippers, Bedroom Slippers, Bath Slippers, Hockey Boots. A pair of White House Shoes is a very suitable Xmas gift; all styles; all leathers.	Shoes for Street or Dress wear. Storm Shoes. Dainty Dress Slippers for the house or for dress functions. A special line of Ladies' Satin Evening Shoes, Pink, White & Black. Ladies' Rubbers, storm & plain, low and Cuban heels; Tan, White and Black. Ladies' Spats, all shades.	A pair of Buster Brown Boots for the boy or girl makes a suitable Xmas gift. Boys' and Youths' Storm Waterproof Boots; the real thing for school boys. Boys' Long Rubbers, Girls' High Bottom Boots, Girls' Skating Boots, Boys' Hockey Boots, House Slippers, Baby Shoes and Booties.

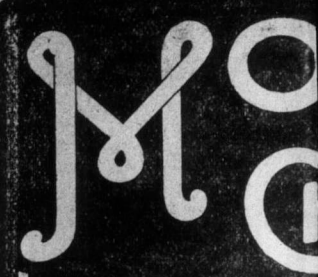
A pair of "Bert" Shoes make a very handsome gift.
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Now we've said it—for our Slipper Show is worth coming miles to see. House Slippers, Bedroom Slippers, Bath Slippers, Dress Slippers. We've every form and color of Slippers known to the trade.

You'll run no risk in selecting Christmas Footwear here, for we will cheerfully make any exchanges you desire after Christmas.

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The chocolate
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combination which
suits in the most
licious chocolate
you ever tasted.
Try them.

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Marine Notes.

The S. S. Stephano, Clarke, sailed
night taking as passengers—A. F.
Mrs. Misses Bowdin (2), Mrs. H.
Miss M. Tobin and 3 in storage.
The S. S. Florial leaves New-
to-day for here.
The R. M. S. Mongolian is due
tomorrow from Liverpool.
The Mildred M. is now loading
at Monro & Co.'s for Oporto.
The schr. Greenwood arrived
Channel yesterday to be laden
fish for Lunenburg.
The schr. Tatler arrived at W.
Island yesterday to load for
Gloucester.
The S. S. Westwood left for
Island to-day to load one for Syd-
returning here with coal.
The "Laydower" started loading
Oporto and Brazil at Goodwin
yesterday.
The schr. Winifred, 3 days from
Sydney arrived here yesterday afternoon. She has a coal cargo for
ridge & Sons.

You will have noticed that
crocheted cravat, which went away
Arkansas, came back by the way
New York.

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Irish Hams and Bacon.
Fidelity Hams and Bacon.
English Cheddar Cheese.
Pinxter Dutch Cream Cheese.
Purity Butter—2 lb. prints.
N. Y. Corned Beef.
Sliced Bacon—1 lb. boxes.

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