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CANADIAN BANKS.

The high standing of Canadian banks has long been known to every reader of the United States press—of that press especially, as for years the bankers on the other side of the line have been endeavoring to have the Federal government legislate so that a system somewhat similar to ours may prevail there. In his weekly letter to this journal, Henry Clews of New York, a banker of national eminence, pays some attention to this, to our neighbors, very important point. After indicating that at last there are signs of an awakening of interest in the question of currency reform, and that therein lies the sole avenue of escape from such financial storms as have been seen in the States in years past, he goes on;

"American monetary markets are the most erratic in the world. In Europe and even in Canada, where systems of varying elasticity exist, rates usually average between 3 and 5 per cent, very rarely going more than one or two points outside of these figures. What would London, Paris or Berlin think of rates ranging from 10 to 125 per cent, such as have been paid here, not in panic but during prosperity. No civilized country in the world maintains a system so ill-suited to its wants as the United States. That we are so far astern in this respect is a sore reflection upon our national intelligence. Even Canada, which works under conditions closely resembling our own, is far in advance of us in this respect. Across the border the same to and fro movement of funds for cropmoving purposes takes place every autumn as here. But who ever hears of such spasms of stringency in Canada as occur on this side of the border. The Canadian banks issue currency to the par of their capital as needed. When interest rates advance, the supply of currency increases; when interest rates decline, contraction takes place smoothly and naturally, by means of proper redemptive facilities. Thus the equilibrium is automatically maintained. This system has worked satisfactorily and without friction for over thirty years, not a dollar having been lost on any Canadian bank note during that period."

This is a tribute worth something. When Mr. Clews standing and wealth of information are considered, when it is recognized that he is everywhere known as a leading exponent of common honesty and right in the conduct of banking—and it must be said that only too frequently have such been lacking in financial circles in the States—to what a degree his praise redounds to the credit of banking affairs as they are conducted in Canada may be comprehended.

WE'RE CIVILIZED NOW.

Once on a time there lived a writer named Gibbon. He was an Englishman and rather materialistic, if not worse, in his ideas, but was keen of vision, and with a desire perhaps to do his small part in helping turn the thoughts of his contemporaries toward better things, he penned those ponderous tomes known to every scholar and lover of history as The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire. There was once also a man named Carlyle. This one was a Scot, and looked upon the universe as being peopled with persons, mostly fools. He too added to the literature of the world, and in his French Revolution laid bare for all to read, with the skill of a dissector, the causes of that triumph of every heterodoxy.

Both these gentlemen, strange to say, arrived at virtually the same conclusion. They painted respectively the glories of Rome and of France. Then they traced the rise of a wealthy class, with a craving for luxury, for voluptuousness, for fame of a kind better spoken of in whispers. They described the coincident disappearance of truth, of religion—as religion, rather than mere form — of simplicity, of stern justice, of all the virtues, in brief that save this world from being a veritable nether region brought to light. Both specified particularly the lust for change that arose with wealth, the insufferable disdain expressed by the rich for the poor, extending even to contempt for the lives of the lesser among the people, and the rise of a clergy, composed of truly Lycurgean sybarites, men with wit enough, but lacking all elements of a religion that works transformations in the human heart.

It would be interesting to hear these two gentlemen discuss the recent Vanderbilt cup auto race in the limbo in which perhaps they dwell with many other choice spirits; to learn whether the days before the French Revolution, or the descent of the barbarians on the Eternal City, ever showed a deeper hatred of the lesser for the greater, or more contempt on the part of the great ones for their brethren not so fortunately circumstanced than now is. Probably there would be interesting digressions on the clergy, who neglect to speak of these things in the churches frequented by the followers of the most dangerous sport of the day.

Gibbon described the gladiatorial fights in the arena; Carlyle wrote of peasants shot by drunken nobility for the fun of it.

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GIFTED MAN DEAD.

John S. McClelland, Orator and Journalist, Passes Away at St. Kitts.

In the death of John T. McClelland, formerly editor of The Star, recently, St. Catharines loses a gifted man—a brilliant orator, journalist and poet. He was born there 52 years ago. He learned the art of telegraphy when a boy, and at the age of 20 was train despatcher on the old Detroit and Milwaukee road, now the Chicago and Grand Trunk.

In 1880 he went to New York, where he followed telegraphy for a time, and later became identified with the newly-organized Knights of Labor, in which he served as secretary of the executive board of the general assembly. He was also secretary of the telegraphers' district, and assisted in managing the great strike of that body in 1883. While connected with the Knights of Labor, in association with Mr. Terrence V. Powderly, Mr. McClelland drafted the American alien labor law, and succeeded in having it passed by Congress, himself appearing before the United States Senate in its advocacy.

During his residence in New York deceased studied medicine during his spare hours, and was graduated from the Homoeopathic department of Columbia University. After the strike he, with many others interested, was blacklisted by the Western Union. He was from that time until 1887 manager of the New York State Associated Press.

He then returned to St. Catharines, and took the editorial management of The Evening Star newspaper, in which position he remained until December, 1900, when he was appointed city clerk. Mr. McClelland also served very acceptably as alderman for a number of terms.

He possessed exceptional ability as a public speaker, and during many election campaigns was heard with much acceptability from platforms in various parts of this country. His repartee on the public platform has perhaps never been excelled. He was also a writer and poet of no mean ability. He achieved considerable notoriety as the advocate of the flat earth theory.

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The Putnam Cottage.

The Putnam cottage in Greenwich, Conn., is to be dedicated as a museum by Putnam chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. This is a small house whose legend is that Israel Putnam was occupying it as his quarters when surprised by British cavalry, and he dashed away on his trusty mare down the precipitous steps of "Put's hill," was shot at, but turned at the foot of the steps and shouted, "I'll hang ye to the next tree when I get ye!" The cottage is about 200 years old.

Oldest Fixed Date In History.

Professor James E. Breasted, the Egyptologist, who has lately returned to this country from Egypt, writes that the oldest fixed date in history is 4241 B. C. In that year, he says, the calendar was established, the year beginning on what would now be July 19. Consequently the calendar now in use is 6,147 years old. The professor arrived at these conclusions during his long exploration trip to the Nile valley, when he compared the astronomical dates in the old and middle kingdoms of Egypt.

Champion Whittler.

B. F. Clay of Philadelphia, a retired ship carpenter nearly eighty years of age, is said to be the champion whittler of the world, says Technical World Magazine. Aided only by his penknife and a piece of sandpaper he has cut from a single block of wood a quadruple linked watch chain over three feet long and many other exceedingly delicate and difficult pieces of work. During the last few years, since his retirement, Mr. Clay has cut scores of watch chains.

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DEAD WATER.

Effect of This Queer Marine Phenomenon Upon a Ship's Speed.

One of the most curious marine phenomena known to seamen is that called by Norwegian sailors "dead water," which, without any visible cause, makes a vessel lose her speed and refuse to answer her helm. The sailor's only definite knowledge of its origin is that it exists solely where there is a surface layer of fresh water resting upon the salt waters of the sea. Several explanations have been advanced by the captains of ships of the effect of dead water, the commonest of which is that the two water layers move in different directions. The true explanation, however, recently offered by Swedish navigators and verified by mathematical calculation and direct experiment, is that in addition to the "resistance waves" at the surface the vessel creates a second line of subaqueous waves between the two strata of water.

The experiment carried out to demonstrate the truth of this theory was an exceedingly pretty one. A large plate glass tank was first mounted on a wooden frame. The tank was then filled to a certain depth with salt water, and a layer of fresh water was carefully poured on to the surface, so that two separate water layers were obtained.

The salt water was blackened with liquid Chinese ink before the water layers were prepared, and in this way the different layers were made clearly visible. A boat model was then towed along the tank and a silhouette of the waves produced was obtained by placing a white screen at a short distance behind the tank. The waves were also photographed by flashlight, and the results showed conclusively that waves actually were set up at the boundary line between the two liquids.

Further experiments were made to verify the sudden loss of speed due to dead water. The boat model was drawn across the tank and the towing string suddenly slackened when the boat was about halfway across. In cases where the tank contained salt water only the boat stopped gradually, moving some boat lengths after the towing string had been slackened. When the tank contained a layer of fresh water resting on salt water, on the other hand, the boat slackened speed quite suddenly and moved only a very short distance.

These experiments, carried out on a small scale, prove conclusively that the difficulties encountered within a dead water zone are really due to the resistance experienced by the vessel in generating invisible waves at the fresh water salt water boundary, although in some particular cases the influence of undercurrents must also doubtless be taken into account.

For the Man Who Works at a Desk

Not Doctors, But the Right Kind of Food is What He Needs.

You work at a desk and you are shut up in an office all day long, your brain overworked, your body absolutely idle. You get "out of sorts" and your meals don't please you and what you eat doesn't agree with you.

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All and Singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate in the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, and Province of Ontario, and being composed of parts of Lots numbers One and Two on the Northerly side of Harvey Street in the said City of Chatham, and is limited and bounded as follows that is to say; Commencing at a point on the Easterly Boundary of John Street (now known as Lacroix Street distant eighty-nine feet and two inches, more or less, from the intersection of the Northerly Boundary of Harvey Street with Lacroix Street, with distance is measured in a Northward direction along Lacroix Street, thence North Easterly parallel to Harvey Street a distance of one hundred feet, more or less, thence North West parrallel to Lacroix Street thirty-five feet, more or less, thence South West parallel to Harvey Street one hundred feet, more or less, to Lacroix Street, thence South East along said Lacroix Street thirty-five feet, more or less, to the place of beginning.

And also All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Township of Harwich in the said County of Kent and being composed of Lots Number Seventy-two and Eighty-five in Crawford Survey of part of Lot "D" in the Third Concession of the said Township of Harwich, Plan 314.

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That Mysterious Suicide Note.

Hamilton, Oct. 8.—The police have a mystery on their hands. Friday they got a note saying that they would find the body of the writer, who claimed to be from Detroit, in the bay at the Turbinia dock. The body of Mrs. Embury, a Hamilton woman, was found there soon after the note was received, but Mrs. Embury's family say that the writing in the note was not in their mother's hand, and it is feared that there may be another victim of suicide in the bay.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

The most acceptable form of politeness is cleanliness.

Because you say you intend to do a thing it isn't done.

About all some men are good for is to "second the motion."

You may think you are entertaining, but there are people dodging you all the time.

Don't send ten dollar flowers to the funeral of a man whose family is left without any income.

The man in a dangerous location never thinks he is in a dangerous location or he wouldn't be there.

The owner of a horse and buggy tries to be modest, but he can't help showing that he feels a little superior.

The first insurance against trouble that children learn about is to get a promise from mother that she will not tell father.

On Their Way.

During a newspaper men's convention, a number of journalists were one afternoon talking of the tricks of "the faithless types," when Henry Watterson said:

"While I've heard of a great many funny typographical breaks in my time, about the oddest and most humorous transposition of the types that ever came within my observation was that in a New York paper some years ago. That sheet used to print its shipping news on the same page with the obituaries. Imagine the glee with which its readers found the captions exchanged one morning, whereby a long list of respectable names were set forth under the marine head 'Passed Through Hell Gate Yesterday.'"

Men Have Not Degenerated.

It is common to hear of the giant people who lived in the old days, yet it is decidedly uncommon to find proof that the average ancient was any larger or more powerfully built than the average person of the present day. The Egyptian mummies show these people to have been of medium size. The remains taken from the catacombs do not differ in size from the people of the present, while the armor which was worn by the warriors of the long ago fit as readily the forms of people who are not at all gigantic or at least extraordinarily above the average either in girth or stature. There were great men in the old days, but as great still obtain in this twentieth century.

Those Tourists.

M. Perrichon (visiting Switzerland)—Well, Mary, we'll take another view of this lake and then we can return to Paris. Mme. P.—Why not see some of the others? M. P.—Well, I don't see the necessity. It seems to me that one lake must be very much like another.

He is not only idle who does nothing but he is idle who might be better employed.—Socrates.

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The Book of Job.

The book of Job, written about 1520 B. C., describes very accurately several processes of smelting metals.

Italian Spaghetti.

Much of the Italian spaghetti is made at Torre Annunziata, near Vesuvius. The factories are great stone buildings, the recesses of which look like caverns, while the product lines the roadside, hung in festoons on racks to dry and acquire a flavor from the flies and lava dust.

Verbena.

The verbena is indicative of sensibility. This plant is said by some naturalists to display almost animate reason in choosing its habitat.

The Ancient Peruvians.

The Peruvians under the Incas had a most admirable system by which officers of justice who failed to perform their duties were subjected to the same penalties that should have been imposed upon the criminal. The punishment which the statutes provided for theft was inflicted upon any magistrate who neglected to punish a thief.

The Name "Agag."

The name Agag, mentioned in Jewish history as that of an Amalekite king, was used in common by all sovereigns of that country.

Beethoven.

Beethoven could play from memory all the preludes and fugues contained in Bach's "Well Tempered Clavichord." There are forty-eight preludes and the same number of fugues, and as each is in the most abstruse style of counterpoint the difficulty of this performance will be appreciated by every musician.

Japanese Crab.

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