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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1919.

TEACHING CHILDREN TO THINK

Inspector Day of East Simcoe in a lengthy and detailed report on the Orillia schools, adds some interesting comments. He asks are our schools worth while, are the dividends on the expenditure in thought, energy and hard cash as great as they should be?

Inspector Day is undoubtedly a student of education and recognizes the shortcomings of the present system. He sees the weak points and fearlessly points them out.

DON'T LET LIFE SLIP PAST MERELY AS A NOISY CLATTER

Most of us are failures rather than successes. None of us attains the completely rounded cycle of character development that leaves us complete peace of mind.

So many of us look at material success as our target of life. Perhaps this is only human. Most of us know what it is to face debt and deprivation, and that even while we should be facing them we are shirking them.

As we realize the unattained things of our own lives, we may agree that every man and woman who passes us has some problem that has not been solved.

pression of one thought, the significant mannerism of face or hands, any of these things may mark us a distinctive.

But while the unattained things are the burden of life, so are the unexpected blessings and gifts of life wings to our feet that carry along to the better part of existence.

If you issue "phony" paper you are going to get the repayment that life has afforded for such a deposit, but if you put into the bank the coins from the strange mine of the heart, soul and mind you are going to get back your money with a rich premium attached.

TEACH THE YOUNG COURTING IS THIS MAN'S SUGGESTION

We are becoming fed up on the wide-spreading craze to reduce all things to a science, to apply a foot rule or a formula to every circumstance of life.

Hammocks on the veranda and capacious chairs before the fireplace are two of the best schools in courting we know of, and much more comfortable than the school bench.

It's as natural to youth as water to a duck, or whiskers to a Bolshevik. It's instinctive with the ice man, the princess and the engineer of the adding machine in your office.

BIRDS MUST BE PROTECTED FOR INTERESTS OF COUNTRY

Look after the birds and the crops will look after themselves is rapidly and rightly, becoming an international slogan.

ing vermin is being recognized by governments the world over as an economic task of supreme importance to the best health and contentment.

Until recently, the work of bird protection was left to a few individuals, enthusiastic lovers of the winged world, who were tolerated by friends and the general public as harmless "bugs."

BE BROTHERS TO THE RETURNED SOLDIERS.

In the re-establishment of returned soldiers in civil life the Provincial Secretary of the Great War Veterans takes exception to the use of the word "repatriation" and thinks that "restoration" is the proper word to apply.

MORE LOANS AND MORE TAXATION

Reminders are coming from Ottawa that there will be new taxation imposed the coming year. One of these despatches recently stated that a new Canadian loan is to be floated in New York some time in the spring.

The British flag is the first standard of a Christian nation to float over Constantinople as that of a conqueror since the taking of the city by the Turks more than four centuries ago.

The annual report of the Department of Trade and Commerce for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1917-18, contains an estimate of the loss of industrial machinery suffered by France and Belgium during the war.

OTHER EDITORS' OPINIONS THE CHARM OF SIR WILFRID'S PERSONALITY Speaking of Sir Wilfrid Laurier

and those of Belgium at \$800,000,000.

Sir Wilfrid was a good loser, great in success, and great in defeat. Herein he showed true greatness and he was always ready to encourage those who were struggling upward.

Here is a German newspaper's queer view and evident forgetfulness. The Breslau Volks-wacht says:—"Can it be a matter for wonder that our U-boat heroes should at length have declined to sacrifice their lives in face of the superhuman, almost devilish, machinations of the enemy?"

Kaiser Wilhelm's despatch to his soldiers in China rendered him odiously famous, but the French jurists who have been considering his liability to punishment for the crimes committed during the war quote in their report a letter from the All-Highest to the Austrian emperor, in which he says: "My soul is torn asunder, but everything must be put to fire and blood."

THE OLD TUNE

The hobo heard the old organ croon In the cottage over the way, The notes of a dear and familiar tune That his mother used to play.

He looked at his rags—at his ill-shod feet, He fingered his stubble grey, And harked to the anthem soft and sweet, That his mother used to play.

"Move on!" He went as one in a swoon, Along the dreary way, But his feet kept time to the grand old tune That his mother used to play.

He found a lumber yard under the moon, Some rags and a wisp of hay, And he went to sleep to the mystic tune That his mother used to play.

The dawn and the day they came too soon, And strange, most strange to say, The two of them whistled the hitting tune That his mother used to play.

He climbed the wonderful stairs at noon, And his heart was glad and gay, For the hands of heaven were playing the tune That his mother used to play!

KEEP IT TO YOURSELF

If a friend has done you harm, Give it not widespread alarm, Show to him his wrongful play; Help him mend his evil way, And keep it to yourself.

If you hear of one "gone wrong", Do your best to make him strong, Never kick a man who's down— Or aid the gossips of the town— Keep it to yourself. Errors man commit live long, Men are weak and men are strong, Help the weak to see the Light; Lead them on the path to Right— And keep it to yourself.

—Edward L. Klein.

gave action and gesture and fire, and made him from a purely speaking standpoint one of the greatest and most finished orators of his time.

WHAT WILL BE THE ESTIMATE OF HISTORY?

The St. John, N.B., Globe says:—"How history will judge Laurier's attitude on the great events of the last five years is not for those of the present day to determine. It is doing him simple justice to acclaim the sincerity of his motives, the honesty of his purpose and to assume that the course he took was the course that to him seemed best in the national interests."

SIR WILFRID'S SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY

The St. John, N.B., Times-Star, says:—"Sir Wilfrid Laurier loved Canada and to serve his country was his aim and delight. No man longed more ardently or labored more assiduously for racial harmony. Canada was not to him a country of jarring provinces, or creeds, or races, but a British Dominion with a common bond of unity, and the greatest opportunity of any country in the world to develop a powerful, prosperous and united nation."

CELEBRATED HER 93RD BIRTH DAY

Mrs. James Reid, sister of the late Sir Mackenzie Bowell and mother of Mr. C. M. Reid of the Ritchie Co., passed her ninety-third (93rd) birthday yesterday.

Celebrate

Perth-upon-Tay, Britain's Lodge, No. O.R.C., today, Feb. 27, celebrated the Centenary.

In Perth-upon-Tay

For Ancient Fraternity worthy the name Descendants of His Grand Master, Whose grand arch or and fame. Then we, as descendants, noble merit, Should boast of our noble spirit, And never divulge secret To sully the name of the Fraternity.

By Matheson, Grand Free Masons, Was planted in Perth-upon-Tay

Their names shall generations As worthy, true and free, When frailty and age be bending, The tree by their branches extend, And brethren unborn extending, Will trodden their path upon-Tay.

When Perth's fertile luxuriant, And stumps to moulder away, Our structure will monument Of worthy Free Masonry upon-Tay.

Keep firm to the laid before you, The world will admire you, Till seasons revolve restore you, To the Grand Lodge lays beyond Tay.

Let no animosity of slon, E'er rankle your blood to be free, Lest towards should mad derision, What are those Free Masons upon-Tay?

But linked hand and firmly together, Remember the ties of a brother! Let malice and hate in the river That runs through Perth-upon-Tay.

This lodge in 1819, ed by British officers of Waterloo fame, were composed by 1826, and are well fraternal and often tune of an old Scotch melody.

One Minister

"Epworth League organization" was made at last General Hamilton. "A happy Epworth League about one hundred, social occasion with League on Monday first sentence of a last week's Statesman a country church, Bowmansville and a distance from Oshawa of a farming community a thriving league of bers. The pastor of Rev. R. A. Deive, O. derstand that Pastor absent from a League young folk's meeting sible for him to be of the most progress erots, active congress to us in the Bay of ence. At the last, the Board decided Deive's salary to \$1 a new shed so great more accommodat What we set out to The success of the due to the active ship in all the ch and enthusiasm of The young people fial companion, a f all their endeavors, ence, energy inspiras in is due in no a splendid success of Young People's Soc other church organ would not languish were-as popular w members as Pasto manville Statesman Hamilton's tax mulls exclusive of tax (a mill more), higher than last year.