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Perhaps Inspector Cuddy Can Tell.

General Williams, inspector of provincial police, discussed with The Advertiser the reason why Charles Matthews had not been apprehended. It had been rumored at one time that there might have been orders given to the police not to be too anxious about Mr. Matthews, but General Williams gives a direct denial to such a report. He says that the police have had a free hand in dealing with the matter. He points to Inspector Cuddy as the officer in charge of the criminal branch, and as the Matthews case comes under that head, General Williams must mean that it is up to Inspector Cuddy to explain why it was so easy to secure Peter Smith, and apparently so impossible to apprehend Mr. Matthews.

If Inspector Cuddy has any reasonable explanation he should make it. It is a point that the people of Ontario are not satisfied about, and there is no ground for surprise in their attitude. They really cannot grasp the idea of a force, with a free hand and plenty of officers, being so swift and certain in reaching out and taking Peter Smith, and so notoriously weak and inefficient in bringing in Charles Matthews, who walked the streets of Toronto under the admitted surveillance of these officers.

If Inspector Cuddy has a statement that would put his department in a more favorable light it would be well for him to let the public have it.

Get the Most Effective Means.

A farmer of Dereham Township was fined \$50 and costs for cruelty to animals. The cruelty consisted of allowing five cows to starve to death, and the remainder of the herd "were hardly able to stand owing to their weakened condition."

The man appeared in court and paid the \$50 fine, showing that he was not without means for providing the necessary feed for the animals.

The St. Thomas Times-Journal is inclined to disagree with the verdict, holding that taking \$50 away from the convicted man was not adequate punishment. The Times-Journal adds: "How he could calmly go on having three meals for himself every day, no doubt, and not disturb himself about even the barest sustenance for the helpless animals that were unfortunate enough to be in his hands, passes ordinary comprehension."

Humane society officers in various parts of the province have brought in reports of similar happenings. If a term in jail without the option of a fine would put a stop to this business more effectively than a fine, then by all means try it.

"Unique," Or Is It Astounding?

Despatches from Ottawa refer to the "unique" case of Senator Girroir of Antigonish. He has been in the Senate since 1917, and a suit he is bringing to recover certain moneys for his influence is of so peculiar a nature as to warrant the use of the word "unique" or any other phrase that indicates an event of a surprising character. The word "astounding" might even be used.

His first claim is against the estate of A. R. McDonald, and is as follows:

"For services rendered to A. R. McDonald in respect to efforts made in 1917-18 to have a nephew of McDonald's, who was in the flying corps, transferred to home service as an instructor."

The amount claimed for this is \$1,250, based on legal services at Halifax and Ottawa for 25 days at \$50 a day, including expenses.

It means that Senator Girroir wants to collect \$1,250 for pulling wires at Ottawa to have an overseas man brought home to act as an instructor during the time the war was still on.

The one bright spot in the whole case, which is before the supreme court, is that Senator Girroir was not able to secure any action. He is seeking to collect for an unsuccessful attempt.

Senator Girroir is not adding much to the prestige of the Senate by his continued tenure of office.

U. S. Takes on a New Load.

Canadians struggling with a war debt are interested in obligations assumed by United States in paying a bonus to each person who served in the late war. It has been a battle that has lasted for months. President Coolidge was unalterably opposed, but the Senate passed the measure over his head by a vote of 59 to 26.

There will be over 3,000,000 beneficiaries, most of them sharing in a 20-year endowment policy to be financed by the government.

The total cost will be \$2,280,758,342, or an annual bill of \$114,000,000 per year for the next 20 years.

This figure is only \$23,000,000 less than the annual interest charge on the Canadian public debt, which is \$137,000,000.

Such Action Should Be Recognized.

Mrs. M. E. Fortner, of 62 Cavendish street, was responsible for saving the life of a child who had fallen into the Thames River near the Wharfedale road. In this she was assisted by Emily Rulton, a girl of fourteen.

The fact that Mrs. Fortner was able to render such a service may in itself be sufficient recom-

pense for the unselfish efforts she made, but as a people we should not be content to let matters like this rest with even such a happy conclusion.

There have been other instances of the same character, where individuals have shown bravery of the sort that is prepared to sacrifice in order that another's safety may be assured.

As a city we should see to it that there is some public recognition for such conduct. It might come in the form of a suitable parchment or medal from the city. It would serve to state definitely and in a tangible way that the city had noticed officially and approved of the conduct and courageous action of the rescuers.

We feel that a move of this character would meet with unanimous approval of the citizens.

A Jury Could Have Acted.

A London child wandered from its home and fell through the cellar window of a house near by. There was enough water in the cellar of that house to drown the little one.

Despite all the work of those in attendance it was not possible to fan into action the spark of life.

The coroner handling the case decided that it was not one in which an inquest was necessary. As far as having a jury pronounce upon the cause of death he was probably right. But the matter should hardly end there. A jury would be the proper body to attach a rider to its verdict fixing responsibility for such a condition, and calling attention to the need for the elimination of that trap or any other of like kind. A jury could have performed a very useful preventive and warning function, and for that reason should have been summoned.

Mr. Drury On Ideals.

Hon. E. C. Drury, speaking at a meeting in Barrie, turned to the old text of idealism vs. practicalism.

It is Mr. Drury's contention that it is of no use for a person to have ideals if the next step is not taken to give them practical application in the everyday affairs of life.

And in the main he is right. Of what use is it that a man shall have high ideals and lofty purposes if he stops right there and never strives to give effect to them? He might just as well never had the great idea.

There are two great forces that any man can bring to his assistance, one of them is decision, and the other is action. Together they make a team that may take him a long way on the road. Separated, they will lead in any given direction. A man may make a decision, but if he does not couple it with the action to give it effect he might just as well have saved himself the trouble of making the decision. Or if he acts without having made his decision first he is apt to go in the wrong direction.

But put them together, decision first, followed by action—well the path opens up for a long way ahead.

The Case of Philip Donat.

Immigration laws are necessary, but the method of their interpretation opens the road to a class of official stupidity at times that is hard to countenance.

Here was Philip Donat, of Kentville, N.S., who arranged passage at Halifax for France. He had the necessary passport. Instead of taking a train to New York to catch the liner La France he took a boat that would bring him to the pier he wanted to sail from.

When he got off the boat, and was about to cross the pier to the La France, he was taken in custody as an alien and sent to Ellis Island, during which time his boat pulled out.

For a case of blundering official stupidity this one would be hard to equal.

Note and Comment.

Green onions seem to thrive on frost. The harder it freezes the greener they get.

This business of sifting ashes and cutting the lawn on the same day is a bit too strenuous.

Gold has been found in Siberia. Exiles have been more often lost than found in the same country.

Thirty sweet misses have just graduated from Victoria Hospital, so go ahead and get as sick as you like.

The second speckled hen walked out of the salt barrel today to show her dozen chicks what the backyard looked like.

A motion has been introduced at Ottawa to give less power to bank directors. What is needed is more wisdom in using the power.

At least 25,000 gallons of oil have been put on London streets this year. Why not pour the next tank on the troubled waters of the legislative situation?

A local ball game ran up a score of 20 to 14. Both sides were pleased, for even the losing side had the satisfaction of knowing that they tacked up no mean score.

Probs persists in referring to an area of low or high pressure in certain localities. Around here the pressure has been high on the furnace and low on the tomato plants.

Robinson Crusoe's musket has been sold for £250. It was a weapon that not only ranks high in money value, but has occupied a similarly high position in the minds of youngsters all over the world.

A Toronto man, acquitted on a murder charge on the grounds of insanity, has arrived at the Ontario reformatory at Guelph. There are now 97 criminally insane persons there, the largest number on record. The more the insanity plea succeeds at murder trials, the greater will be the number of cases in which it is advanced. It may even develop from a loophole into a gate.

Dr. Frank Crane

Uniforms and Actualities

In civic life it is not as it is in military. In the army and navy, uniforms grow more splendid as you rise in rank, from the khaki of the common soldier to the blaze of color and splendor of medals, epaulets and gold lace which compose a major-general, especially in some Balkan armies.

But it is only with destroyers that splendor increases with rank; in constructive affairs the most gorgeous officer is probably door-opener for carriages or top sergeant of the elevator brigade.

Conductors, station agents and brakemen wear uniforms and brass buttons. The president of the railroad sits around in his shirt sleeves.

The law even seems to hold, in a measure, with women; as much as any law can manage to hold with women.

For, if a feminine creature wears a robe too gaudy and jewels too dazzling, we are quite sure that she has not arrived; a woman of wealth and old family spends fabulous sums on dressmakers to achieve the distinction of subdued tones and the haughtiness of modesty.

The same may even be observed in the church where the Episcopal effulgence of the servant contrasts strongly to the workman's clothes of the Master.

Out of all these instances there emerges a general law that real power tends to silence, while noise indicates hollowness.

An empty drum is more alarming than a sandbag.

So it is with the spirit of man wherein the noblest qualities seem to clothe themselves with modesty, while forwardness, boasting and the love of prominence suggest the shallow mind.

If there is a Deity, some Being who controls all things and is the Almighty Source of every force known, He is certainly more shy than any creature He has made. The thunder roars, the waves boom upon the shore, lions roar and parrots screech, but He who is behind and above all these, Who made them and will end them at His pleasure, is but a still small voice that only the inner ear of meditation can detect.

Wisdom is Modest, goodness is unconscious and love is like the deeps of the sea.

The most striking characteristic of the gentleman is that he is gentle.

Flannel Shirts in June

Yes, I've been tempted many times since May has come to us again, to cast some garments from my hide and dress like summer time again. In street car ads, I see a dude, straw hat a-reshin' on his dome, I search around for last year's wisp whenever I reach my humble home.

And in the papers, too, I see men standin' round that look half dressed, another with a blazin' shirt that touches lightly on his chest.

My inclinations rise at once to saunter out in palm beach hue, not carin' for the gazin' crowd, or what the mob may think or do.

But on each day when I have had a notion for thin rags to shine, the breeze it smites me on the shins and scampers playful on my spine.

'Tis then I turn a gloomy step and grab my robe of ancient weave, determined that no clammy chill shall come a-tuggin' in my sleeve.

My old red flannel shirt I wear, I should have parked it weeks ago, but fickle May she winks at me, then trudges out a cake of snow.

It is a vexin' season this, the store man waitin' me to greet, to sell me cheesecloth garments new to save my carcass from the heat.

I'm lookin' at the probs again, and if they don't fast change their tune, by heck I'll still be goin' about a-wearin' flannel shirts in June.—ARK.

Leave Hollywood Out

(From the New York World.)

World-wide appeals to film-struck girls, begging them not to go to Hollywood in search of fame, have been issued by officials of the famous California film-city.

They point out that of one hundred thousand women registered as would-be film actors in the last few years—many of them English and Canadian girls—only seven have risen to be "stars." It is stated that the film industry cannot provide employment for more than a fraction of the vast numbers who throng the city.

The official warning, hinting at the terrible hardship and poverty endured by thousands who have flocked to Hollywood, is being stamped on all letters leaving the town. It reads:

"Don't try to break into the 'movies' at Hollywood until you have obtained full, frank and dependable information from the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce. It may save disappointments."

Press Comment

But It's Good Exercise.

The United States papers talk so much about the Dawes report that most of their readers would be surprised to learn that there were others on the commission.—Peterborough Examiner.

Then Look Under the Table.

Sir Thomas White says he was deceived as to the condition of the Home Bank by accepting the statements of people whom he trusted. Dooley's advice was to trust everybody, but to cut the cards.—Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

The Competition Is Fierce.

"The day of the Happer is over," says Lady Terrington. We're afraid so. There's too much material competition.—London Opinion.

Lesser of Two Evils.

Dr. Frank Crane complains of the ugliness of trousers; but he might be induced to admit that often they cover greater ugliness than their own.—Border Cities Star.

The Fun Shop

Our Own Lost and Found Dept.

R. V. Dwight—Do you happen to know the rest of the poem containing the line:

"I dreamt that I dwelt in marble halls."

Dear R. V. D.: The poem you refer to is an answer to the housing problem and goes as follows:

I dreamt that I dwelt in marble halls (No objection to children, canary or pup).

Ten airy rooms for thirty-five per; No wonder I wept when at last I woke up.

Angeline Starr—I think it was Robert Louis Stevenson who wrote the quatrain beginning:

"Wealth I ask not, hope, nor love—"

Dear Angie: It sounds more like one of the lady poets. See for yourself.

Wealth I ask not, fame nor love; I'll e'en dispense with vim and vigor.

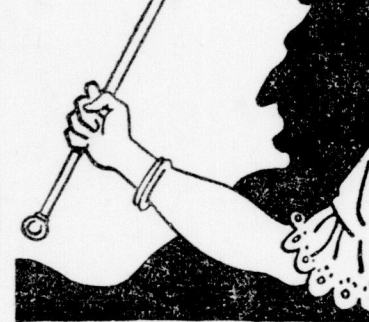
If Fate will only let me keep My girlish finger.

Kindly Old Soul—"My boy, don't you know it is wrong to fight? Don't you know the good book says we should love our enemies?"

Sandy (certainly blacking the other boy's eye): "Yep, but this guy's a friend o' mine!"

—Nate Collier.

A man's first mistake is to kiss the wrong girl. His second mistake is to apologize to her.



A GOOD POKER HAND

A Sound Reason. Mr. Oldwed: "I haven't spoken to my wife for over three years."

Newlywed: "Why?" Mr. Oldwed: "I didn't like to interrupt her."

—Ernest Boyd.

Throw Up Your Hands. Being a collection of remarks employed in the well-known game of hold-up:

"Here are two choice ones in the third row."

"Yes, there is a very nice table near the music."

"This is just from Paris—inlaid with platinum."

"Just try it on, and if you don't like it, you needn't take it."

"Everyone else has subscribed, so I've put you down for the regular amount."

"Won't you buy a ticket, please?" —Charles G. Shaw.

Pluck. "Pluck, my boy, pluck; that's the one essential to success in business," reminded the old man who was speaking to his nephew.

"Yes, of course, I know that," answered the young fellow. "The trouble is finding someone to pluck."

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Readers are requested to contribute. All humor: Epigrams (or humorous mottoes), jokes, anecdotes, poetry, burlesques, satires and bright sayings of children, must be original and unpublished. Accepted material will be paid for. All manuscripts must be written on one side of the paper only, and should be addressed to the Fun Shop, The London Advertiser. No manuscripts can be returned. The rates are \$1 to \$10 for accepted material, and 25 cents to \$1 a line for poetry.

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To the Editor

Wants It To Grow

Londoner Thinks the Hobby Fair Is Capable of Great Deal More Development.

Editor of The Advertiser:

Sir—As a visitor to the Hobby Fair just closed, one may be permitted to make a few observations through the splendid medium of The Advertiser. I was much pleased at the latent talent displayed by our boys and girls in the multitude of fine exhibits shown, as indicating the bent of mind, praiseworthy initiative, and striking originality of London's juveniles. The radio exhibit as illustrating the latest and perhaps the most attractive application in the electrical field, was particularly creditable. If one were to single anything out from such a fine assortment, an unassuming receiving set at the east end of the display tables made complete by the youthful exhibitor from his own (not be right) parts, and two novel miniature sets were especially creditable. We are much less familiar with the girls' work, so could not particularly in that department. In view of the splendid initial success of London's own big bouncing baby, the Hobby Fair, we are not surprised that the Rotarians and others, who gave so generously of their time and money to make it such, are determined to make it larger and better year by year.

We indulge the hope that the Rotarians, backed by the enthusiasm and generosity of our citizens generally, will encourage our boys and girls to broaden out in their hobby activities and exhibits. Thus, for instance, a boy who may not be able to construct or properly assemble a radio receiving set like some others, should by no means be shut out from the electrical field. There is a distinct tendency to push on to the latest applications before the earlier and perhaps more useful are at all properly understood. Thus a working model of a dynamo or motor, even crudely made, that would run, would still be a good hobby exhibit. In action, especially if the boy builder had enough knowledge of the working principle to originate some new lines of construction. As an example, the writer once came across such a novel motor, having to commutators, the one with a single stationary brush sliding upon it, and the other having a revolving brush and rising, yet in some way the current was properly collected.

Again many boys have hobbies in the mechanical field. What about models illustrating the mechanical powers as a windlass say, and which can be made in many styles? What about simple locks and locking devices? Even the more ambitious department of mechanical devices is not beyond the reach and resources of our clever boys.

Again in the Art section, what about adding cartooning as hobby exhibits? Prizes could be offered for cartoons in crayon or ink on some of our outstanding politicians or our civic heads. Poetry even could be made a hobby by offering prizes for the most witty and original limerick, especially having a local application. These suggestions are made in good faith for what they may be worth.

D. STEWART.

CASINO OPEN

The Port Stanley Casino is now open for the summer season and is splendidly prepared for pleasure-seekers. Last season the Grille was opened and proved very popular with hungry folk who preferred cozy, refined surroundings away from the dust and noise of the walk. This year the service will be so improved that the Grille will probably be the busiest spot in Port.

ATHLETE HURT.

Speed of the overhauler. Wallaceburg, May 22.—Fuller Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Norman, severely hurt his ankle on Tuesday evening whilst practicing lacrosse. He will be laid up for several days.

ROMEO CLERMONT GIVES TANLAC FULL CREDIT

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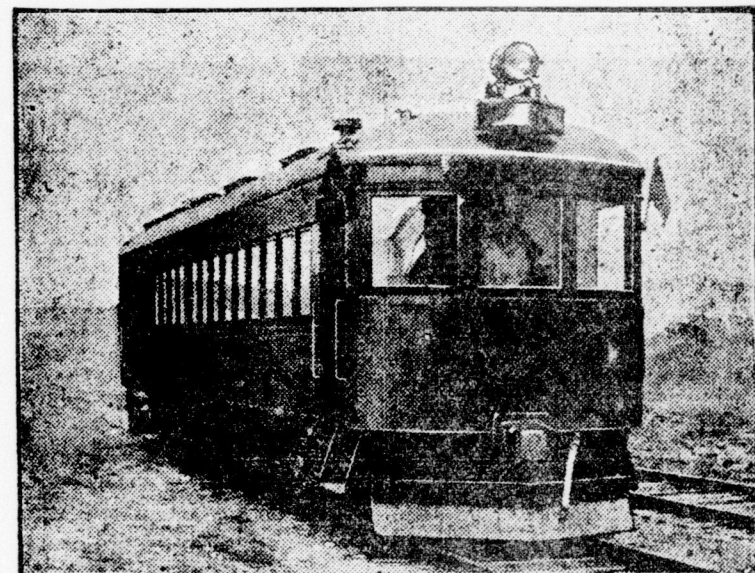
"Day after day for two years I suffered from indigestion with all its gas, palpitation and weakness, and before taking Tanlac I was badly run-down. I had to force myself to eat anything; severe pains in my stomach and sides tortured me terribly and often at night I had to get up and walk the floor I was so nervous.

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