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### THEIR LIMITATIONS.

The Frederick Glenier a few days ago said:

"Two members of the provincial government, who were at their offices here this week for two days, one hour and forty minutes, were reported yesterday to have safely returned to home and Mama."

Undoubtedly the members of the government are not giving due consideration to the feelings of the Glenier. If they would remain longer at the capital, and devise some method of raising funds which would enable them to contribute even so small a sum as \$10,000 to the Glenier, as a return for its stern and uncompromising championship of the cause of provincial economy and purity in politics, that journal would be encouraged to say less about their movements and more about economy and purity. For though virtue is its own reward, there is also virtue in \$10,000. Moreover, the government, if it attended more closely to its duties, might discover some contractor who has a weakness for his friends; and the Glenier itself testifies that the lumber operators are again growing rich because of low stumpage. They might therefore lend an attentive ear to an emissary of the government who wanted to raise a little fund of \$100,000 or thereabouts. There are also large quantities of potatoes in the province, and the Cuban market is just what it was before. Obviously the Foster government has its limitations. There are several killings it might make if its members were less fond of the home fireside, more anxious to earn their municipal stipend of \$24, and more willing to sit at the feet of the Glenier.

### VOCATIONAL CLASSES.

An effort is being made in Toronto to get from the government of Ontario this year a grant of \$50,000 for technical education. More than ten thousand students have registered at the technical school since last September. The fact that the people go into industrial life. Toronto has a splendidly equipped technical college, doing most valuable work. In St. John we are only at the beginning of this work, although here as in Toronto, the nine-tenths of the young people must go into industrial or commercial life. Some remarks recently made by Dr. Merchant, director of technical education for Ontario, are as applicable here as in Toronto. He said: "We should develop in our homes, schools and factories our own workers. Time was when they were trained in factories, but that day has gone. The old order of education, which led away from rather than to the new, which aims at directing the brighter boys into industrial life and to give in schools the fundamental training. A good fundamental training is the first requisite of industrial life, and after that a rudimentary knowledge at least of the fundamental principles of science, as there is scarcely a trade that had not scientific principles to apply."

The large number of students enrolled in St. John this winter in classes which do not include a commercial course indicates how great is the demand for vocational training, and how much greater it would be with commercial classes and a properly equipped vocational school. This, however, relates only to persons who have left school, and there is still the question of such a change in the curriculum of the schools as will provide a certain amount of pre-vocational training in grades above the sixth, and leading up to vocational high school course.

In the twenty-four pages of today's issue of the Times-Star the most interesting news will be found in the advertising columns. The writing staff of the paper takes second place to the ladies and gentlemen who wrote the attractive copy for the store announcements. The latter are optimists. There is no cloud in their sky. Opportunities are everywhere, and the people are invited to embrace them. The high cost of living is not so very high if you buy right on Dollar Day. And there is something so enticing about the phrase, Dollar Day, that the reader perks up at once and becomes interested. Is there really something that may be bought for a dollar. The question demands an answer, and the answer is found in the advertising columns of this newspaper. Dollar Day has become an institution. The people as well as the merchants look for it and take advantage of its offerings. The stores will be crowded tomorrow, and there could be no better preliminary to a tour of the shops than a careful reading of the advertisements in this issue.

It was the very irony of fate that the disease against which the minister of health has been fighting night and day, to prevent its spread and to cure for those all over the province, should come and take away one dear loved. The profound sympathy of the people of New Brunswick goes out to Hon. J. Roberts and Mrs. Roberts in this hour.

New York Evening Post: "Within slightly more than a month the number of states which have ratified the woman suffrage amendment has risen from twenty-two to thirty-one. Hope of soon obtaining the needed thirty-six states has risen to a high pitch. Most of the states that have recently fallen into line—Indiana, Nevada, Idaho, Wyoming, Rhode Island, Arizona—were expected. But it was a pleasant surprise to find Kentucky ratifying by 72 to 25 in the house and 30 to 8 in the senate—and to find that the New Jersey opposition could put up only a weak filibuster. What is the outlook for winning the five states still needed? The suffrage leaders, before going west to their Chicago convention, gave out a highly optimistic statement."

Sir Robert Borden has sailed for New York, and his health is much improved. It is announced that he will go to the southern states for further rest. There is still no information as to his intentions, whether he will resign the premiership or return to Ottawa at a later period to resume the duties of his office. Evidently, however, the coming session of parliament must go on without him, and his colleagues will have a lively time. With the Liberals, the farmers and the Montreal Gazette's new national party at its heels it must needs step lively and do a good deal of expert side-stepping to avoid punishment.

In England the announcement of an increase in prices of some lines of goods is coupled with another that the increase in wages paid by postal employees will involve an increased annual expenditure of £11,000,000. This may be met by an increase in postage. The burden on the consumer continues to grow, and that is the danger against which Mr. Lloyd George warns the country.

The argument that it is harbor commission or nothing for St. John shows a singular lack of appreciation of the situation. This is a national port. The federal government must make provision here to handle the traffic between its railways and its steamers. It must keep Canadian trade in Canadian channels and there are only two Canadian winter ports. Drop the commission idea and go after the national development idea on broad lines, and the country when it knows will back us up.

The building of the Nurses' Home seems now assured. It will cost a good deal more than would have been necessary had prompt action been taken in the first place, but there is no help for that now, and the citizens will approve of the action taken. There is need, indeed, of more than a Nurses' Home, and the whole question of hospital accommodation and administration should be made the subject of expert consideration.

The National Council of Education at Ottawa puts better pay for the teaching profession as the first consideration. Canada is to hold her own in the realm of education. There is no sound argument in opposition to their contention. With wages for all other kinds of work advancing there is no inducement for a clever young man or woman to take up teaching except as a possible temporary makeshift.

A despatch yesterday said that the operation of the exchange between the United States and Europe to the advantage of the latter had caused a sharp decline in the demand for American products. An immediate effect of this has been lower prices for packing house products in the American market, which in the latest for export do not improve will be more pronounced and benefit the American consumer.

The Liberals of Westmorland county have chosen Mr. A. B. Copp, P. as their candidate in the next federal elections. Mr. Copp has proved himself a useful member of the house. In the discussions on harbor improvements at St. John he consistently supported the just claims of this national port.

Following the example of the great American universities and colleges, old Dalhousie will launch a campaign for funds. The objective is a million dollars, which would enable the institution greatly to enlarge its field of usefulness.

The outlook for agreement in the United States senate on the peace treaty is still uncertain, and the hope of agreement not at all strong.

We are warned that the sugar shortage in Canada will not be relieved for some time to come, because of reduced output.

Com. O'Brien believes Fairville is in line for industrial development. If all the people believe it and work for it the thing will be accomplished.

REFEREE GETS K. O. Queensborough, Eng., Feb. 17.—For knocking senseless a referee during a football match, Alfred Hayner was fined £20.



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### OFFICE.

I have been asked to quit my work and make the race for county clerk. They say a man of princely race is needed for that august place: a man of virtue unalloyed, a man of weaknesses devoid; a geat of great and soaring gifts in whose renown there are no rifts; 'tis such a paragon they need, and so they come to me and plead. But when I see the weary jays who are in office all their days, who sometimes die but don't resign. I say, "No public map in mine!" When I turn out a hand made task gets all the prizes he could ask, if he gets down and does his best. The office, small or large, he cannot do his work so well that voters won't rear up and yell, as voters evermore have screamed, and say he ought to be impeached. I get a little world of praise from 1 produce some ringing words, but if they made me county clerk, the populace would roast my work.

### CANADA—EAST AND WEST

Domestic Happenings of Other Days

CROJNE. On February 18, 1900, Canadian troops went into action in South Africa in the engagement that led a few days later to the capture of the "Lion of the Veldt," Crojone. The Boer leader, however, in the bed of the Modder River; there he intended to make a stand and fight the British, but the Boers, who were a brave hearted man who ruled his soldiers with a rod of iron—or to be more accurate, with the fearful whip of the Boer drivers. His force was untrained in the art of modern warfare and poorly equipped with cannon, but every Boer was an expert in rifle shooting and many a Britisher bit the dust before he realized that the rough, ill dressed farmers of the Boer army were almost unflinching shots.

But the Lion had been driven to bay. He was held in the valley of the Modder. The guns of the British were turned upon his position all day on February 18, until it seemed as if nothing could be alive within the British lines. The British commander-in-chief, Lord Roberts, had heard that the old soldier had been cornered and he was hurrying up to take charge of the capture and ensure its success.

With the imperial regiments was a part of the First Canadian contingent that had landed in South Africa a little before the Christmas season. The men had been in a few small affairs, but this was their first real battle and they were straining at the leash to go in and bring the old Boer out of his laager. But the guns had to work all day preparing for the attack that was supposed to end the fight.

### LIGHTER VEIN.

Lady Candidate for Parliament—"I am now ready to answer any questions."

Lady Voter—"Where did you get that ripping hat?"—L. Rie.

Heavy Time. Dobbs—"Time must hang heavily on your hands."

Nobby—"Why?" Dobbs—"Well, you wear such a large wrist watch!"—London Tit-Bits.

Georgette and Tricotine. "I don't care much for these surprise parties," declared Tricotine. "Another girl invites people to your house for you to entertain."

Very Simple. Mrs. Styles—"I've got a new silk hat you've got, Nicholas?"

Mr. Styles—"Yes, my dear."

"How much did it cost?"

"Why, it was \$8, dear."

"What! Eight dollars and not a bird or a nibbler or a feather on it?"—Yonkers Statesman.

The Judge Knows. "Ever try an automobile judge?" said a friend.

"No," replied the judge, "but I've tried a lot who have."

A GREAT ENGLISH PLAY AT IMPERIAL

"Lord and Lady Algy." One of the Greatest Pictures Yet Produced.

Tom Moore's latest Goldenwyn picture, "Lord and Lady Algy," will be shown at the Imperial Theatre, beginning today. The story was written by R. C. Carton, and served William Faversham and Maxine Elliott as a starring vehicle in several tours of the United States.

Many unusual scenes on an English country estate and at the race track serve to furnish a colorful background for a dramatic story. The running of the Derby, the most famous race in the world, is faithfully depicted on the screen. The horses are seen at the post, and are followed by the cameraman throughout the running of the race.

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

In the appeals division of the supreme court at Fredericton yesterday, argument was heard in the case of Eagles vs. Hogan, in both of which cases the court considers.

A verdict of accidental death was returned yesterday in Moncton in the inquest into the death of Herbert Morrell, a railway employe killed in the C. N. E. yard yesterday. Coroner Balford presided. No blame was attached to any person.

SNOW BLOCKADE IN NORTHERN NEW YORK BROKEN. Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 17.—The snow blockade in northern New York, which has blocked transportation for more than forty-eight hours, was broken tonight.

WAKES FAMILY FOR WALK. London, Eng., Feb. 17.—A woman at Willesden, complaining of her husband's conduct, said he often made all the family get up at two or three o'clock in the morning and go out for a walk.

### A SACRED SPOT IN RUSSIA

There may be but little in the Russia of today to justify her old appellation—"the Russia yet to many of its terms." "Holy" is appropriate for her soil, since in it lies the sacred dust of the great philanthropist.

The story of John Howard, the marvellous of his labors of love in the prisons of his own land, whose prisons of England were sewers of iniquity, sinks of crime, filth and brutality, are too well known to call for a long recital; but the story of his journeys to the prisons of other lands, and the circumstances of his travels, are less known. Through Holland, France, the German States, and what was then still left of the kingdom of Poland, Howard travelled on his way to Russia, then a country scarcely at all known to the nations of the south and the west, save as a subject of rumors, vaguely spread of a vast, semi-barbarian tract of desolation. Nevertheless, the friend of prisoners was not only graciously received by the Empress Catherine, because of the friendly relations existing between her Court and that of Russia, but the prisons of the Russian Empire were thrown open to him.

He travelled from Petrograd—then, of course, St. Petersburg—to Moscow, thence to Kiev, and thence to Kherason, on the Daniper, nearly sixty miles inland from the Black Sea. In taking this route it was his intention to return to England via Constantinople. But his arrival at Kherason gathered round him a crowd of Russian prisoners, and he was into the grip of the fever which cut him away from his crusades of compassion.

A lady who lived some twenty-four miles beyond Kherason was taken by a stupor illness, and sent for Howard, who at once set out, and exerted the utmost of his skill in her behalf. On his arrival at the patient's bedside, he found her in a state of collapse, and he was instructed with the patient's relatives to send for him again immediately should she show any signs of recovery. Symptoms, in fact did become manifest, but through some mistake or another, it was over a week before a messenger reached John Howard. It was in the tempestuous November of Russia, and the good man was by no means clothed as a Russian. He would have been, to guard against it. Nevertheless, he went without a thought but to reach his patient in time to save her life. On the way he suffered a bad fall from his horse, and was also chilled and drenched through and through. There might still have been time to have saved him by attention to his condition, but his arrival at the lady's house, which he found the woman in a dying state, which so distressed him that, what with his wet garments, and the effects of the fall, he was already very ill on returning to Kherason. He knew that he was taken by death, that his career on earth was about to close.

Calmly, and as a matter of course, he described the spot where he wished to be buried, without pomp or ceremony, and without the raising of a monument. Administered to the desired ground, and the dying hero's face brightened on his being told that, so far, his last wishes were being carried out. A pyramid of brick was built upon the spot. It, however, received no inscription beyond the name—"John Howard." Some time after his death, a memorial was erected, and on it, in addition to the name, was given the date of his death, and his age. That monument was placed near the Church of the Assumption at Kherason.

Lord and Lady Algy, in the London Graphic.

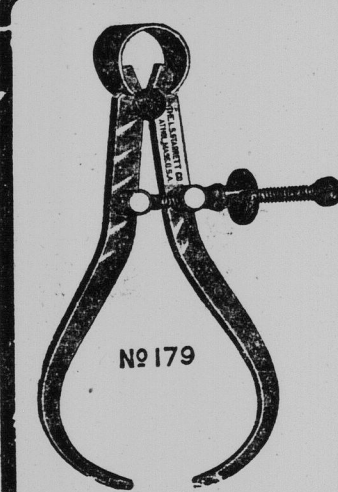
GABY DESLYS. Gaby Deslys, French actress and dancer, who died in Paris on Feb. 11, had been suffering since early in December with a severe throat affection brought on by influenza. She had recently been operated on several times in an effort to remove the affection, on two of these occasions no anæsthetic being administered. The surgeons were hampered by her insistence that her neck be not cut.

Gaby Deslys was born in Marseilles thirty-six years ago. The name by which she is everywhere known she selected for her stage career. It is an abbreviation of the French for "Gaby of the Lilies." Some persons attribute her international fame to a triumph of theatrical publicity, for it was not until she was connected by gossip with former King Manuel of Portugal that she became a celebrity.

Prior to her arrival in the United States in 1911, an abundance of stories appeared in the French and English press of her life and her career. It was said that she had given her a pearl necklace and other costly articles with such a disregard of the royal coffers that the resulting complaints in Portugal had almost caused the revolution.

Gaby Deslys, thus presented as an influence in the history of monarchies, never denied the receipt of lavish gifts from the king, and even permitted jokes in a play she was in in New York referring to herself and Manuel. She also gained notoriety by her sensational gowns and the general luxury in which she lived and travelled.

Megaphones for Courts. London, Eng., Feb. 17.—"I think the courts should be provided with a megaphone and a speaking trumpet," said Judge Harrington at the Guildford County Court, when a deaf witness was called.



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1 1/2 qt. Aluminum Double Boiler, Regular \$2.50, .... Special \$1.98  
3 qt. Aluminum Tea Pot, Regular \$3.00, .... Special \$2.45  
3 1/2 pt. Aluminum Tea Pot, Regular \$3.25, .... Special \$2.69  
1 pt. Brass Hot Water Kettles, Regular \$1.45, .... Special 95c.  
1 pt. Nickel Plated Hot Water Kettles, Regular \$1.45, .... Special 95c.

See Our Windows for Other Bargains.

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### News Notes About

#### Prominent Baptists

Rev. W. Ideon after doing faithful service at Caledonia, has taken up the work at Mahone Bay. Besides serving the churches of Queens county as secretary of the quarterly meeting, he will find at Mahone Bay a enlarged sphere of service and many faithful helpers.

Rev. A. W. West has settled at Chilli-cotho, Ohio, and has entered upon his pastoral labors there. His pastorate at Kenville and at Liverpool were short, but in both churches he did good work and made many friends. We are sorry indeed to lose him from the work in our convention.

Rev. C. P. Wilson has been engaged at Lunenburg for some weeks, assisting Pastor Pines in special service. He is now opening a campaign at Niagara.

Rev. F. R. Doelman, who was formerly pastor at Hibernia, N. S., is now laboring with the Baptist church at Oakville, Maine. We regret to learn that his two young daughters are now patients at the Fairview Sanatorium.

Rev. E. S. Mason, home mission superintendent, has been spending two weeks on Prince Edward Island visiting pastoral fields. At the same time he has been giving special attention to the work of the forward movement.

The news of the death of Camuel West of Moncton, which occurred at his home on last Wednesday, will be received with painful interest by the whole denomination. A little more than a year ago he sailed for India, Dr. H. H. West, then leaving Moncton for his first term as missionary in India. A few months ago a daughter, Mrs. F. Denison, after a short illness, died at her home in St. Thomas, Ont. To all the members of the strict household, and especially to the missionary son so far from home, we tender our sincere sympathy.

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### BRITANNIC UNDERWRITERS

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"I shall be glad," he said politely, "to wait your mistress's pleasure."

"In a few minutes a richly attired lady appeared."

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"Yes, madam," he answered, bowing.

"Do you come in the morning?"

"Yes, madam."

"And in the afternoon and evening?"

"Again he assented eagerly. Then the lady said, with a frown:

"Well, was it you who broke our bell?"—Washington Star.

"Times have changed," said the buck private with a grin.

"What's the matter?"

"Nothing. Life looks mighty good to me today. I've got three seconds' tenants taking orders from me now."

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