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MONTREAL, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1914.

The Importance of Hong Kong

Hong Kong, whose Legislative Council has just passed an ordinance compelling all enemies of Great Britain residing within the colony to close out their business and depart, is an important trading post.

Turkey and the War

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The World's Debt

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British Trade Expansion

British trade statistics for 1913 show that the "Tight Little Isle" did a total business of \$6,475,000,000, of which \$2,850,000,000 were imports, and \$3,625,000,000 exports.

The Elliott and Strathcona Horse

The presence in the city of the Elliott Horse from British Columbia recalls the presence of the Strathcona Horse in the city during the time they were on the march to the town during the South African War.

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UNITED STATES CONSUMPTION OF SUGAR.

The consumption of sugar is constantly increasing in the United States, and for the year 1913 reached practically 2,750,000 long tons against about 2,500,000 the year before.

BE GLAD YOU ARE ALIVE.

"What's your complaining for? You're alive, ain't you? and that's worth a great deal. You've read the papers, and you notice you were not included with those who were blown away in the cyclone."

SHOULD BE CAREFUL.

Japan's protest in the case of the little German centur Geler, which is supposed to be undergoing repairs at Honolulu, but is probably using that port as a refuge, should receive the prompt attention of the State Department.

"A LITTLE NONSENSE NOW AND THEN"

In a recent battle the British Tommies were patiently waiting in their trenches for the Germans to show themselves from their trenches, but the Germans refused to show.

THE OTHER ARMY.

Over ruined road past draggled field, Over twisted stony of shaken street, Marches an army terrible, The army of the bleeding feet—

TOO MANY TIES.

A member of the Association of New York Curb Brokers, who moved to New Rochelle about a year ago, remarked a few days ago to a brother member who joins the train at Mount Vernon:

GERMANY AND BELGIUM.

The German defence for its invasion of Belgium seems to be as mobile as its wonderful army. The most loyal pro-German must "move lively" to keep up with it.

AN EXCEPTION TO THE RULE.

To the statement that an inventor never lives to enjoy the fruits of his work, nor does his family reap the benefits, Ottmar Mergenthaler, inventor of the present day linotype, was an exception.

MANUFACTURE OF MATCHES IN RUSSIA.

The match industry was introduced into Russia about the year 1830. In 1902 ten factories were turning out phosphorus matches exclusively while thirty-three were making both the phosphorus and non-phosphorus varieties.

FAULTY HISTORY TEACHING.

There is no room for dissatisfaction with the present methods of teaching history, and with many historical text books now used. War is given too much prominence in many text books on history, and the economic, social and humanitarian movements of mankind little space.

CONSERVING THE BREAKFAST.

How precious to the Englishman is his marmalade is shown by the fact that it was the very first foodstuff whose export was prohibited.

CHAMOIS SKINS BECOMING SCARCE.

Chamois skins used so extensively in the painting trade are growing scarce, at least the genuine skins are. The skin from the chamois is heavier than the sheep, also coarser.

NEWFOUNDLAND ALMOST WILLING.

With the growing strength of the Dominion there has been in Newfoundland during recent years an increasing sentiment in favor of annexation.

DREADNOUGHTS.

Dreadnoughts have never been in action. When they engage it is possible to picture the damage they will do to each other, when we say that on some of the latest type the entire fire of fourteen 12-inch guns weighing 11,900 pounds, can be directed on any given target.

LIQUOR AND THE VOTING WOMAN.

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THE STANDARD BANK OF CANADA.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of THIRTEEN PER CENT PER ANNUM upon the Capital Stock of this Bank has this day been declared for the quarter ending the 1st October, 1914, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office, in this City and its Branches on and after MONDAY, the 2nd day of November, 1914, to shareholders of record as of the 30th of October, 1914.

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CONDITIONS IN GERMANY. A wealthy American of German descent, who recently returned from Berlin, visited a Wall Street banking office the other day in which there is a strong pro-German sentiment.

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