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Literary Notes

The following is a list of leading articles in the Technical World magazine: Death and Alms, Bailey Millard; Those Kansas Cranks, Henry M. Hyde; California's New Gusher Era, Carlton L. Edholm; Wild Game to Cut Meat Bills, John L. Cowan; Teaching the Art of Flying, Richard Cull; Insuring Against Idleness, Cecil Bembridge; Flying with Dynamite, C. B. Edwards; Nature as a Fakir, Rene Bache; Deep Sea Fish Cut Cost of Living, Ralph Bergengren; To Wash Our Currency, Frank N. Bauskett.

An interesting feature of a very interesting issue (September) of St. Nicholas is the publication of a number of letters from readers of that splendid organization, the St. Nicholas League, containing suggestions for new features in St. Nicholas, with reasons therefor. One young girl wants "something nice for two or three girls of my age to do on a wet afternoon—something that we can do without much preparation to worry other people." In short, a department of indoor amusements. A 14-year-old lad suggests a department of anecdotes, and another boy wants to see "dear old Jack-in-the-Pulpit" revived. Then another girl asks for a department devoted to all sorts of needlework; another, for a department of current events; another, for a page of inventions and discoveries; and an Honor Member, for personal sketches of notable men of the day.

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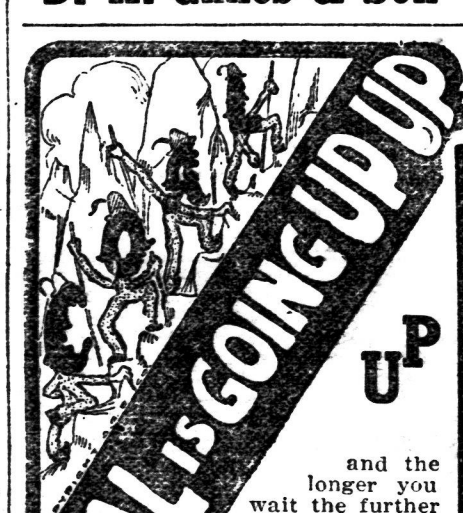


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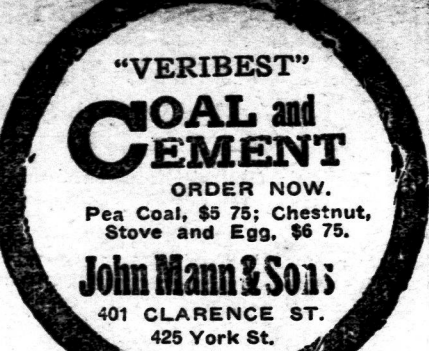
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familiar with their rifles, and for those who have made the required scores, special classes will be held next week, and they will remain at work until they qualify.

The men have thoroughly enjoyed the outing at the Cove under canvas, and would gladly remain longer if it were possible. Their course this year has been designed to be as far as possible the equivalent of the regular service, and rapid fire work has been given a great deal of attention.

A Maxim gun is at the range, and being given instruction in machine gun firing. Another object of the course is to enable the men who have received the instruction to act as instructors themselves, and recruits should it ever become necessary.

KELSO IS AFTER THE PICTURE HOUSES

Intends to Prevent Young Children Performing in Such Places.

A campaign having for its object the prevention of young children from performing in moving picture theatres is being undertaken by Mr. J. J. Kelso, superintendent of neglected and dependent children. A pamphlet is being prepared for circulation among children's aid societies in all parts of Ontario and among proprietors of the 5-cent theatres themselves.

"Picture theatres are being turned into low-class vaudeville houses, with juvenile performers, who outrage decency by immodest dancing and suggestive songs," said Mr. Kelso today. "They go much further than adults in brazen effrontery and the influence is decidedly bad, both upon themselves and the audience."

"Parents of precocious children are tempted by financial returns to put them on the stage, and many foolish girls are constantly clamoring for engagements."

Not a Decent Act.

"In a recent visit to a number of shows, no less than ten children under 16 were performing, and not an act could fairly be termed decent. In the interests of good morals they should be stopped and rigidly censured."

Children under the age of ten years are absolutely prohibited from performing in any place of public entertainment, and between that age and sixteen, they can only perform when deemed to do so by the head of the municipality. The penalty on anyone securing children to perform contrary to their regulations is a fine of \$100.

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A LURID TRAIL OF BURNING BARNS

Storm of Yesterday Created Great Havoc in Western Ontario.

MANY CATTLE KILLED

Church Street—Wires Down in All Directions—A story of Havoc All Along the Line.

The worst thunderstorm of years passed over the northern part of Western Ontario early Monday morning, leaving a lurid trail of burning barns, in its wake. Huron, Bruce, and Perth Counties felt the force of the worst, and there the tale of loss will be very great.

The damage is not confined to the rural sections alone. Towns and villages were hard hit. Telephone lines were put out of commission. Cellars were flooded, and dwellings struck by lightning. The experience of many was indeed terrifying.

There was no loss of life, but there were many narrow escapes. The residence of Mr. George Gordon, Attwood, was struck, the bolt passing through a room in which three children were sleeping. They were not seriously injured, but felt the effects of the shock for some time. The house of Anderson Johnston, of London Township near St. Marys, was struck, and Mrs. Johnston suffered a very severe shock. Other minor injuries are reported.

Bad at Clinton. Around Clinton the storm was particularly bad, and scores of horses and cattle were destroyed in the fields. A peculiar feature of the storm in that section was the number of birds killed. Some boys gathered fully 50 small birds under one tree, all having been destroyed by lightning.

The telephone and telegraph wires in the neighborhood were put out of commission. Communication with many places about Clinton, and Wilmot is impossible, and it will be several days before the full extent of the damage is known.

The storm came from the west, over Lake Huron. Gathering in the northwest, it came over the lake at great speed. Striking Huron County, it veered to the south, and then switched to the east, sweeping across Bruce, Huron and Perth Counties with terrific force.

A Brilliant Display. The sky was brilliantly lighted, the play of the lightning, being particularly vivid. Rain came down in torrents, and in some places hail beat the standing grain into the earth.

The whole countryside was awakened by the display, and in a few minutes fires could be seen in all directions.

Old-timers declare that they have seldom witnessed such a terrific storm, and state that beyond question it was the worst in a quarter of a century in the northern part of Bruce County.

Wires Are Down. At Wilmot the wires are down, and communication with the peninsula is cut off. The lightning was so terrific that the tower of the tower of Mr. David Trout was struck by lightning, and the family had a very narrow escape from serious injury. The tower, a chimney, crashed out a window. The people sleeping in the room felt the effects for hours afterwards.

The saw mill of Mr. W. G. Simmie, Clavering, was struck, and completely destroyed. Ten barns within a radius of 13 miles could be seen burning at the same time.

At Lucknow six barns were seen burning at once. The telephone wires in all directions are down, and it will take some days to re-establish communication.

Church Struck. The Methodist Church at Seaforth was struck by lightning, but not seriously damaged. The barn of Mr. Jeremiah O'Hara, McKillop Township, was struck, and the season's crops destroyed.

In the vicinity of Stratford the barns of Mr. J. Granger, 13th con. Hullet Township, and Mr. J. McGee, 1st con. Goreman Township, were destroyed with the season's crops.

Cattle Killed. Mr. Geo. Watt, Mr. Jos. Shipley and Mr. L. E. Clark, Clinton, had scores of horses and cattle killed in the fields.

There was a heavy storm in Port Elgin, where the barns of William Walker were burned at large can be seen burning in every direction.

North of London there was considerable lightning, but little rain. No fires are reported.

"It was one of the worst storms I had ever witnessed," said Mr. S. Frank Glass, who was at Bayfield at the time. "The lightning was very vivid, and the rain fell in torrents. It was bad in the north, and scores of barns were burned."

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TENNESSEE MAN SPEAKS OF SOUTH

No Negro Problem in the Southern States Despite the Scare Stories Sent Out.

NEGRO IS IMPROVING

Going in for Industrial Pursuits, and Making Himself a Power in the Uplifting of the Nation.

Mr. Geo. C. Sells, of Johnson City, Tennessee, is visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. C. W. McGuire, of this city. He is a barrister in that state, and is also considerably interested in politics.

"The south is recovering from the financial depression, and is well set towards prosperous times," he stated to the Advertiser. "It must be remembered that only the past fifteen years has the south made any progress, and it is but in the past few years that we have been able to overcome the effects of the war."

The Negro.

"What about the negro problem?" he was asked. "There is no negro problem in the south," he answered. "Some of the newspapers, principally in the north, often refer to the negro problem, but strictly speaking, there is no such problem. He is given better treatment there, and he does better there. The south can take care of the negro. Booker T. Washington has discovered the truth, and he is doing more than any one man, or any agency, for that matter, to improve the condition of the black man. He tells them to keep out of politics, and make themselves so useful industrially that the nation cannot do without them. As a result, they are becoming fitted for industrial pursuits, and are assisting in building up the south."

The Criminal Class. "Of course, there is the criminal class, negroes but a step removed from the brute. These will always cause trouble, as there is no appeal to their better nature. Consumption is also playing fearful havoc among the colored race. Were they not so proud, the colored population would be soon destroyed."

Feuds and night riding are dying out in Kentucky and Tennessee, and the people are more law abiding than they were. The famous Hatfield-McCoy feud is a thing of the past. "This is my first visit to Canada in the summer. You have really a fine country. I drove through much of Huron, Bruce and Middlesex Counties, and I never saw better farming country. The farmers should be very rich here."

BISHOP OF HURON WILL PRESIDE AT RECEPTION

Bishop of London, England, Will Be Warmly Welcomed at Aylmer.

[By Our Own Man.] Aylmer, Aug. 22.—The Bishop of Huron will preside at the reception to be given to Bishop Ingram, of London, at 3 p. m. Thursday at Irwin's Farm, Grovesend. Grovesend Methodist Church and Port Burwell Anglican Church have arranged the reception jointly. An address of welcome will be given to the distinguished English visitor, and a large attendance is expected.

Bishop Ingram arrived today and is visiting his brother, who lives south of this city. On Wednesday the bishop will be entertained by the St. Thomas Country Club. He will remain in Western Ontario until Friday when he leaves for Halifax.

A CHILDREN'S POUND AT PORT STANLEY

Stray "Kiddies" Will Be Kept There Until Called for by Parents.

[By Our Own Man.] Port Stanley, Aug. 22.—Mr. Charles Currie, second vice-president and general manager of the Northern Ohio Traction and Light Company, Akron, Ohio, Mrs. Currie, Misses May, Jessie and Beattie Currie spent a couple of days with Mr. M. A. Ferguson and Miss Jessie Simpson at The Nook Cottage, Erie Rest, this week. The party is taking an automobile tour through London to Galt, Montreal, Quebec, returning will pass through Toronto, Hamilton, Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Cleveland, and then home to Akron.

The Grand Trunk ran a large excursion here from Glencoe today. A kid pond had been established by one of the residents on Erie street. All kiddies found running at large can be placed in this pond, where their fond parents will be able to leave them in safety. The pondkeeper has not yet decided how much he will charge for the youngsters' entertainment. So far he has had only one occupant.

Misses Iva and Beatrice Smith, who have been visiting Mrs. J. E. Younger, of Moonshine Cottage, Willow Beach, have returned to their home in Chatham.

Miss Daisy Beatty entertained a number of her friends in Moonshine Cottage, Willow Beach, last evening.

Mrs. Sarah O'Neill, of Locust Nook, who was taken seriously ill on Thursday, is now well on the road to recovery.

Messrs. E. Shaw and W. Beamish, London, W. A. Murray, Windsor, have returned home after holidaying at Locust Nook.

Mr. Herbie Dunn, youngest son of Capt. Herbie Dunn of the tug Elgin E., while playing on some fish boxes, fell and severely yet his arm. Dr. Mother-sill dressed the wound.

Dr. De Los Parker is on the sick list.

While going to close the backdoor of her residence, Miss Agnes Baker tripped and fell headlong through the glass panel in the door. She received several nasty cuts on the face and hands.

Miss Florence Magee, of London, is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Scudrett, at Kemon Inn Cottage, Hill Crest.

Mr. A. E. Welch, of The Knoll Cot-

LIFE ON ST. HELENA IS NOT SO DREARY

Its Governor, Colonel Galloway, Tells of Present Conditions and Its Inhabitants.

Life on St. Helena

London, Aug. 20.—After seven and a half years' service in the most isolated dependency of the empire, Col. Galloway, the governor of St. Helena, is in England for a short holiday. At the same time, as the following interesting conversation shows, he is anxious to arouse the interest of Englishmen in his island, which has steadily declined in prosperity since the opening of the Suez Canal, but which, in a naval war, and the blockade of the canal, would at once become vitally important to the empire.

"I can warmly recommend St. Helena for nervous people," said Col. Galloway to a newspaper reporter. "There are no motor cars, no thunderstorms, no earthquakes, no fogs and no snakes." The observation was a parenthesis in a talk about Napoleon's island with its governor.

Col. Galloway, who had a most distinguished career as a soldier and afterwards in service under the foreign and colonial offices in West Africa, speaks indeed very highly of St. Helena—as a residence.

"It is not a bare rock," he said. "It is, indeed, only forty-seven square miles in area, but there are ideal spots on this much-misrepresented island, and the climate is really perfect, thanks to the southeasterly trade winds. The death rate is probably the lowest on record. Six per thousand, after all, beats Hornsey. From the anchorage the island has perhaps a somewhat austere appearance, but its highlands are truly beautiful."

"But," the reporter added, "there are no theatres, no concerts, no libraries, no museums, no—"

The colonel interrupted him. "You are going to say that life in St. Helena must be unacceptably dull. It is certainly not lively, I admit. Of course, I know every single blade of grass on the island, while the faces of the three thousand five hundred inhabitants are becoming somewhat familiar after seven and a half years' sojourn. But I have my duties and even my recreations. There is the routine work of the island, the fathering and control of the new industries, among other items, and I am also the chief justice."

"Cases must be rare," said the reporter.

"They are. And yet I have had to sentence two men to death. It was in 1905. Two islanders shot a signalman in order to rob his train. It was the first murder in St. Helena for nearly 100 years. The assassins received exactly one shilling and twopenny-halfpenny each when they divided the spoils. They paid the death penalty. Altogether, I may say that the rule of the governor of St. Helena is a very autocratic one."

"Tell me about your recreations," the reporter asked, and Col. Galloway replied: "We have plenty. There is excellent pheasant and partridge shooting. We have a nine-hole golf course, horses for riding and driving, tennis courts, and the islanders are keen and good cricketers. Every month a Union-Castle liner brings us a budget of newspapers, and only trouble is that the most recent one is always seventeen days old. But we receive every day a Reuter message giving us the news of the world. I may add that St. Helena has a daily newspaper, the Guardian. From time to time we have a visit from British warships, for our admirals know what good such islanders do to the islanders. I need hardly say that whoever lands on the island flies to Longwood. The vanquished of Waterloo resided and died there."

"This led the conversation to Napoleon's traditions."

"They are rapidly disappearing from St. Helena," the colonel explained. "There are still a very few old men who were babes at the time of Napoleon's death and who remember, very faintly, their parents' speaking about the famous prisoner. But they always refer to him as General Bonaparte."

The present generation knows next to nothing of Napoleon the Great, but much more about Dintzulu and Gen. Cronje, who were prisoners on the island, the former in 1890 and the latter in 1900.

"Why should the islanders call Napoleon 'Gen Bonaparte' today?"

"He has been called so ever since the days of Sir Hudson Lowe. Of course, Lowe, like all Britishers, called him thus. Personally, I would have called him Napoleon, King of Kings, if he had asked me to. But Sir Hudson Lowe was governor of St. Helena, and one must not criticise one's predecessors."

Col. Galloway was questioned concerning Napoleonic records at Longwood. "Almost nothing remains, but the house itself," he said. "It is partly stone and partly wood, a simple one-story bungalow, which looks very much like a humble farm building. It is not a stick of furniture in the whole house. Its bedrooms contains a good bust of him, but at Government House we have a few relics, including a bookcase, a cabinet and the famous billiard table of Napoleon. For one year this table was at Longwood, Napoleon used to play billiards with his hands and twist the balls about nervously."

At the end of eleven months he became so tired of the game that he had the table sent back to his jailer. The billiard room became a map room, and for hours at a time with little flags in his hand Napoleon used to refigure his victories—and Waterloo!"

From the past, he turned to the present and fell to talking about the island as it is today, its population and prospects. Of the three thousand five hundred inhabitants their governor now spoke. But St. Helena knows no color feeling; the people are a happy-go-lucky, cheerful "crew." Ever since the opening of the Suez Canal, however, and the substitution of steam

ships for sailing vessels, the colony has been growing poorer and poorer. Sixty ships enter Jamestown harbor each year, as compared with a thousand in the old days. The withdrawal of the garrison a few years since was the final blow.

"How do the people live?" the reporter asked.

"There are three industries. Fibre growing and weaving—a fibre which is used with manilla for making rope; St. Helena is the only place, besides New Zealand, which exports this article. Mackerel-curing gives work to many; it was introduced by the generosity of Mr. A. Mosely, C. M. G. Finally, there is lacemaking, which is just being developed, under the direction of Miss Girdwood, the manageress of the Government lace school. St. Helena laces, according to the report of the chief experts, compares most favorably with any. The progress made in this industry is in no little measure due to the interest taken in it by Mrs. O. Marshall, of the League of the Empire, and her colleagues. What we most require is capital, for I have great hopes of the rising generation, and of the industries now established."

"Are you going back to the island, colonel?"

"Yes, in a few weeks' time. I love the place, its people, and its historical associations. Besides, one must not leave a sinking ship. Also, one should remember that in the event of a war, St. Helena would be blocked in time of war, St. Helena would at once become a place of vast importance to the empire."

TIPS ON THE WEATHER TO COME BY WIRELESS

Duluth Observer Has Plan for Scattering Storm Warnings Over Lake Superior.

Duluth, Minn., August 22.—Through the co-operation of a wireless telegraph company and the weather bureau much has already been accomplished in robbing the dangerous shoals, rocks and storms of Lake Superior of their menace to navigation, but more will be done in the future, are worked out. A movement is on foot to persuade the weather bureau officials at Washington of the need of placing complete sets of weather observing instruments at Isle Royale and Grand Marais, that weather conditions over the entire lake may