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DAUGHTERS OF THE EMPIRE

The Times-Star has received from the honorary secretary a copy of the tenth annual report of the National Chapter of Canada of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, and a copy of the constitution and statutes of the order, and a copy of the magazine Echoes, which is the official organ of the order. The Canadian headquarters is in Toronto. Countess Grey is the honorary president, and the wives of provincial governors are honorary vice-presidents. The order is strong in Ontario, and it is now announced that a delegation will tour the Maritime provinces to arouse the interest of the people and introduce the order, whose objects are thus stated in the constitution:—

1.—To stimulate and give expression to the sentiment of patriotism which binds the women and children of the empire around the throne and person of their gracious king and beloved sovereign.

2.—To supply and foster a bond of union amongst the daughters and children of the empire.

3.—To provide an efficient organization by which prompt and united action may be taken by the women and children of the empire when such action may be desired.

4.—To promote in the motherland and in the colonies the study of the history of the empire and of current imperial questions; to celebrate patriotic anniversaries; to cherish the memory of brave and heroic deeds, and the last resting places of our heroes and heroines, especially such as in distant and solitary places; to erect memorial stones on spots that have become sacred to the nation, either through great struggles for freedom, battles against ignorance, or events of heroic and patriotic self-sacrifice.

5.—To care for the widows, orphans and dependents of British soldiers or sailors and heroes during war, in times of peace, or under sickness, accident or reversal of fortune.

6.—Members are pledged to promote unity between the motherland, the sister colonies and themselves; to forward loyalty to king and country; to promote good work for the betterment of their country and people; to assist in the progress of art and literature; to draw women's influence to the bettering of all things connected with our great empire, and to install into the youth of this country patriotism in its fullest sense.

At the annual meeting held in Toronto in May, it was stated that there were 136 chapters of the order in Canada, with nearly 9,000 members. Twenty-nine new branches were formed during the previous year. A national chapter for the United States, for British women, was also formed, with 25 branches. It will thus be seen that the order is in a flourishing condition. Prizes are offered by chapters for best essays on the empire and other patriotic subjects, rifles are presented for shooting competitions, the boy scout movement is encouraged, flags are presented to schools, benevolent work is carried on, and much activity in various other directions is manifested.

INTENSIVE FARMING

One of the most encouraging signs of the times is the extent to which public attention is focussed on the question of improved agriculture. One finds in every magazine and periodical for general reading, as well as in the daily and weekly press, accounts of experiments made and success achieved in better methods of farming. Emphasis is placed upon the relation of improved agriculture to national prosperity, and upon the danger of too great growth of cities at the expense of the rural districts.

The Youth's Companion tells an interesting story of the model farm villages in Montana and Idaho, where intensive farming is being made the subject of government experiment. We quote:—
"In the Sun River valley, Montana, twenty towns are now being laid out six miles apart, so that no farmer, even if he lives in the most remote corner of his farm, is more than three miles from the school, church, store and offices of the village. Moreover, the towns are connected by trolley-lines, the power being supplied by the irrigation canals which furnish water and power for the farms. There is a similar arrangement in southern Idaho where thousands of people have found homes and have prospered in a region which was absolutely desolate and uninhabited a few years ago. This plan eliminates the loneliness and many disadvantages of farm life, where the homes are far apart and many miles from a city or village. Of course it is possible only in a new country, where the town is arbitrarily located and made to order, and not the result of natural conditions and slow development. The older farming communities of the country will watch with interest the government programme in this matter, for in it they will find hints for the solution of their own problems—problems toward the happy settlement of which long steps have been taken within the past generation."

COMMONPLACE

"A commonplace life," we say, and we sigh. But why should we sigh as we say? The commonplace sun in the commonplace sky. Makes up the commonplace day. The moon and the stars are commonplace things. And the flower that blooms, and the bird that sings, But mark where the world and we end our lot. If the flowers had faded and sun shone And God, who studies each separate soul, Out of commonplace things makes His beautiful whole."
—Susan Coolidge.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

ADVANCED.
"She's a very advanced woman."
"Yes, indeed. She's doing her Christmas shopping already."

AN ASIDE.

Person—"I am extremely to hear that you went to sleep while I was preaching yesterday."
Parishioner—"It's a lie! I didn't sleep a wink. No such luck."—Cleveland Leader.

LINES TO KATE.

Communi-Kate's intelligent,
Tritri-Kate's discerning,
Prevari-Kate is stubborn,
And Equivo-Kate unsure.

DIALO-KATE IS PAINFUL.

Altee-Kate's a poet;
Rust-Kate is charming,
But Edu-Kate's the best.
—Chicago News.

NOT INTERESTED.

"She's not at all like other women."
"No."
"No, she says she doesn't care a whoop to know whether or not Mrs. Nick Longworth smokes cigarettes."

THEN SHE BAKES THEM UP.

A woman promises to forget man's mistakes and she does—until the next time she loses her temper.

COLLECTING ARRIBARS.

"Caravats," he said, "is it all over between us?"
"Yes, Geoffrey! It is all over. Henceforth we are merely friends."
"If, if you don't mind, I'll take back that diamond ring."
"The lovely maiden frowned."
"No, Geoffrey," she said, "you didn't give me this ring until we had been engaged six months. I'll wear it six months longer, if you please."—Chicago Tribune.

IT WAS A HARD SUM.

A school teacher in a neighboring county received the following from a complaining parent, says a scholastic periodical:
"Miss— will you please for the future give my boy sum easier so as to do at night. This week he brought home to or the rats back: 'if fore gallons of bere will fill thirty-two pint bottles, how many pint and half bottles will one gallon fill? Well, we tried, and could make nothing out of it all, and my boy cried and weed he didn't want to go on. Do not do it. So I had to go and buy a nine gallon cask of bere, which I could fill afford to give the bottles, and then counted them; there were nineteen, and my boy put the number for an answer. I don't know whether it is right or not, as we will soon be doing it. Please let the next some be in water, as I am not able to by any more here."

"PRAYER OF A HORSE" IS POSTED IN POLICE STABLES

At the direction of Acting Police Commissioner Bagley in New York there is posted in every stable where police horses are kept, throughout the city, a neatly printed card bearing a copy of "The Prayer of a Horse."

The acting commissioner came across the prayer while he was in Pittsburgh recently, and it struck him so forcibly that he arranged to have it reproduced in large type for use in the police department.

The prayer reads:—
"O God, my master, I offer my prayer:—
"Feed me, water and care for me, and when the day's work is done, provide me with shelter, a clean, dry bed and a stall wide enough for me to lie down in content. Talk to me. Your voice often means as much to me as the reins. Pet me sometimes, that I may serve you the more gladly and learn to love you. Do not kick me when I do not understand what you mean, but give me a chance to understand you. Watch me, and if I fall to do your bidding, see something is not wrong with my harness or feet."
"Examine my teeth when I do not eat. I may have an ulcerated tooth and that you know, is very painful. Do not tie my head in an unnatural position, or make away my teeth, or do not put me out to starve or freeze, or sell me to some cruel owner to be slowly tortured and then sent to the stock market. Do not, master, take my life in the kindest way, and your God will reward you here and hereafter. You may not consider me in reverent if I ask this in the name of Him who was born in a stable. Amen."

They Take The Prayer Books

Some difficulties are being experienced by the Canadian Pacific in keeping up the supply of prayer books for their passengers on the Empresses. Some time ago the company installed organs in the first-class saloons, and made arrangements for Sunday services. These arrangements included a supply of English Church prayer books, with ancient and modern hymns at the back, and handsome morocco binding, with the C. P. R. crest on the outside.

These prayer books increased the interest in the services very much, but proved a considerable source of expense to the company. The users of the books liked them so well that a large percentage of them, unused after each service, being retained by the worshippers as souvenirs. New supplies are being sent out as fast as possible, but it is altogether likely that the exuberance of the souvenir hunter will necessitate a cheaper form of prayer book before long.

THE ONLY ONE.

"William," she shouted, in a voice fit to command a regiment, "take your feet off the parlor table this very instant."
"Margaret, I want you to know," he said, in a voice that was charged with many determination, "that there is but one person in the world that I will allow to sit on that table."
"And who is that, sir, may I ask?"
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FOOLED THE CZAR HIMSELF

A confidence man of large ability, "Cocan" Nikolaev Leontiev has died in Paris. While Voltaire, the cobler of Keoplenick fame, imposed only upon the mayor of a small town, Leontiev succeeded in hoodwinking the Russian Government and even the Emperor Alexander III, himself. The so-called count after a long residence in Abyssinia, returned in 1896 to his Russian home. He was accompanied by a black bodyguard of natives, who were supposed to represent a special mission from the Emperor of Abyssinia, of which Leontiev was the head.

On his seeking an audience with the Czar he was received by the Russian government with open arms. Honors were paid to the special mission, whose members were loaded with presents and with the Russian Order of Merit.

In return Leontiev bestowed on many Russians a token of the Emperor of Abyssinia's gratitude an order called the Star of Abyssinia. It was only after the departure of the count and his mission and their arrival back in Abyssinia that it was discovered that the whole thing was a hoax.

The Emperor Menelik had sent no such mission and the star of Abyssinia was a bogus order. Leontiev had accomplished the object of his journey. During his stay in Russia he interviewed many of the leading merchants, convinced them of the excellent trade prospects in Menelik's country and induced them to entrust him with large quantities of goods for sale. He sold the goods in Abyssinia, but the money he received for them went into his own pocket.

In 1888 Leontiev appeared in Belgium as the "Governor of Ethiopia" and induced many financiers to form companies for the financing of worthless concessions in Abyssinia. In the course of time these came to grief and many people were ruined. The Belgian police making it too hot for him, he fled to Paris, where he died.

Clarence Kiesel of Jack Haven, Pa., peddled on his father's farm at Dumbarton a tomato that weighed two pounds and six ounces. It was 1 1/2 inches in circumference and 4 1/2 inches in diameter.

Little Trinkets and Trifles

That everybody must have, are made a special display of this week, here Belt Buckles, Veil and Skirt Pins, Cuff Links, Collar Buttons, Tie Clasps, and a hundred other articles make up the exhibit. If you don't need any now you will when you go away. So by not get them and be done with it.

Lucky Strike in West

Three prominent gentlemen from an Ontario town, one a banker, another a doctor, and a third a member of Parliament, on a pleasure trip through the West, caught a cancelled homestead on the fly while passing through Edmonton, the other day, that will net them a sum something close to \$10,000.

The particular homestead which was thrown open for re-entry lies alongside the townsite of Mackin, on the Grand Trunk Pacific, and is, by reason of the development that has taken place within the past year or two, a particularly valuable one.

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