

Pithy Points.

A wife will go through anything for her husband—absolutely anything.

A woman is classed as the weaker sex, perhaps, because she cannot hold her tongue.

"What goes up must come down" is an axiom that fails to apply to the high cost of living.

Lot's wife turned to salt, but a lot of wives turn to pepper in these modern days.

The chief use of flattery is for carving it on tombstones.

A woman will doubt an honest man's word and believe a fortune-teller's every word.

Getting jilted is like having a tooth pulled. It hurts for a minute, but we are better off afterwards.

This is Easy.—If a standing army wanted to take a rest where could it go?

It might try the seat of war.

Indefinite.—Von Falkenhause, a German captain, says that the Germans will be in Paris by Christmas. What year?

Incorrect Report.—There seems to be something wrong with the report that capital is tight in Europe. Few capitals are stationary. France moved hers, and so did Belgium and Servia.

Turkey Trots.

"Save us from our friends" may be Turkey's motto henceforth.

Before this little affair is over there may be some pin feathers floating about.

When the Turkish troops start to retreat on the field of battle, would you call 'em "Turkey-trotters"?

The Allies should be able to enjoy a Turkey dinner before Christmas comes this year.

Uncle Sam's Chance.—Uncle Sam always was strong on monopolies, and now, with nearly all the other nations of the world at war, he is getting a monopoly of the foreign legation business.

It's No Fun Being Mayor.—Lew Shank, who for four years was Mayor of the city of Indianapolis, is now in vaudeville, and for the past few weeks he has been appearing in Canadian cities. His vaudeville talk, however, is hardly as interesting as his private conversation.

"It's no fun being Mayor of a big city, he confided to some friends the other day.

"In my first year I started out with the idea of pleasing everybody, but I found it was impossible. In my second year I found that if I pleased the preachers I displeased the saloon keepers. In my third year I decided to please myself, and that didn't suit. Finally, in my fourth and final year I resolved to try to please my wife. As she is a hard shell Baptist and a Democrat, and I'm a Methodist and Republican, it kept me busy, and I don't think I made a very great success of it. But it was better than the other ways. Boys, if you want to do your best, try to please your wives, and don't try to cover too much territory in the pleasing line."

The Difference.—A noted French actress, we read, had her ankle X-rayed the other day. What of that.

Canadian girls are not averse to having theirs X-rayed.

Take Your Choice.—An American heiress played poker and won a husband.

Did she win or lose?

An Illusion Shattered.—It is announced that New York is now to have regular market bargain days for lobsters. We had thought that every day was a lobster bargain day in Gotham.

Good Reason.—"Do you notice that the attendance at the theatres has fallen off?"

"Yes, there's too much going on in the theatre of war."

We Hope Not.—Mrs. Pankhurst announces that as soon as the war is over she will renew her militant campaign. Does she want to force Britain to choose the lesser of two evils and keep on fighting indefinitely?

Courierettes.

THE Americans threw down their high tariff wall, only to find that Europe has not much to sell just now except news.

The Indian troops fighting in Europe have their praying rugs with them, but they are too wise to spread them out in the big cathedrals.

Dr. Bode, director of the Berlin Royal Museum, says Germany will not keep works of art brought into that country during the war. The "Doc" is a prophet.

It must peeve Teddy Roosevelt not to be able to find even a paragraph about himself on the front page nowadays.

Somehow or other the impression gains ground that the Turks and the Germans are natural allies.

Toronto Globe complains of sand in the city water. Sand is wanted elsewhere just now.

Forty-four Americans have incomes of \$1,000,000 or more every year. It is evident that the rest of the people have "outgoes" of equal amount.

Germany unofficially tried to bribe France to desert the allies. Is there any mean trick in the list that hasn't been tried?

England is moving to keep its women out of the saloons. An effective method might be to close the saloons.

A Toronto man was taken violently ill while attending a theatre. Some shows have that effect, you know.

Henri Bourassa found his invitation to address Queen's University Club cancelled. Somebody had cut Henri's line of communication.

Burk's Falls, Ont., has a clergyman named Canon Allman. If he lives up to that name he'll be all right.

Will the future of Europe be worth what it is costing?

They have caught a blind German spy in France. He should be put on the stage as a curiosity.

Russia's banishment of the bar is the best argument for war that has yet been advanced.

Barb wire seems destined to play a large part in history. America is shipping thousands of tons of it to Europe.

A German professor declares that the Kaiser is "the delight of the human race." We would like to hear from the race on this point before accepting the statement.

This Is Strange.—A Boston man has

slept steadily for ten months. One would have thought that the Braves' victory over the Mackmen would have roused him, but now his case is hopeless.

Just a Suggestion.—Now that Harvard University has indignantly tossed away \$10,000,000 rather than part with the Pro-German Prof. Munsterberg, why not be up with the times and change the name of the college to Munstergrad?

Quite True.—The freedom of the air is a thing of the past since the authorities have seized and dismantled all the private wireless plants.

The Usual Way.—From Illinois comes the tale of a man who courted a girl for thirty years, finally screwing up sufficient courage to ask her to marry him.

We're willing to wage that when he did pop the question, Miranda said "Oh, Hiram, this is so sudden!"

War Notes.

William Jennings Bryan has been making a lot of peace treaties. What are they worth? Ask Belgium.

There's one thing to be said for the Germans—they can find a battle-front wherever they turn.

How would it be to let those verbose professors get out in the open and settle this affair?

Russians captured the Kaiser's pedigreed cattle. They would be satisfied now if they could get his goat.

The warring nations send out news of pronounced successes—but it is hard to pronounce them.

Austria is said to have drafted the short-sighted men for the army. Does that include Austria's Cabinet?

The second contingent from Toronto is quartered in a horticultural building. "The flower of the army."

Next thing we know, Andy Carnegie will be fortifying the Peace Palace at the Hague.

Germany has a big Krupp gun called "Bertha." What Kipling would call "the female of the species."

Die-Version.—"Gentlemen," said a colonized Irishman, addressing a Western audience composed of his own countrymen, "I was born at a very early age, and if I live until I die, and God knows if I will or no, I'm determined to see Ireland once more before I leave Amerriky."

The Impossible.—"If I were as lazy as you I'd hang myself in the cellar!" said the gentleman.

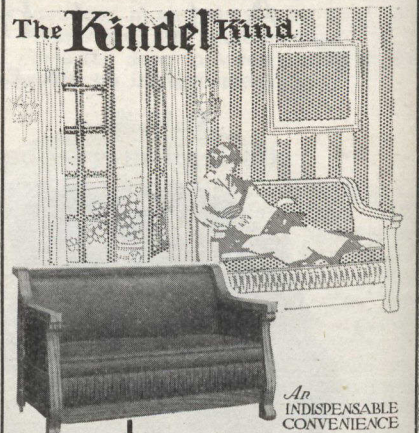
"If you were as lazy as me you wouldn't have no cellar," replied the tramp.

Solids.—Steward—"Did you ring, sir?"

Seasick Traveller—"Yes, s-s-teward. B-b-bring me a continent if you have one, or even an island—anything s-steward, so l-long as it's solid. If you can't, sus-sink the s-ship."

Chance For Sir John.—The readable reports of the war that General Sir John French sends home convince us that Sir John could be a real reporter if he wanted to. He has the "nose for news."

Mantell and the Curtain.—Robert Mantell is said by some very unkind critics to be engaged on a new edition of Shakespeare. There will be no expurgations, however. There will be only a few necessary additions peculiar to Mantell. At various intervals all the popular big successes will be punctuated with "Curtain Call." In Shakespeare's time they had no drop curtain—and certainly no Robert Mantell.



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