

Painting to Order.

I have been dipping into Sir W. Orpen's interesting book of war recollections, says an English writer. One of the points which strikes the reader most is the great artist's affection for Earl Haig. Never once, during the whole time he was in France, did he hear a single word spoken against "Aig," and probably this record was unequalled by any other general on the field. "When I started painting him," says Sir William, "he said, 'Why waste your time painting me? Go and paint the men. They're the fellows who are saving the world.'"

An amusing example of military inability to understand an artist's temperament, and the way in which an artist works, occurred one day a short while after Sir William Orpen went to France as an official artist. He had been gathering impressions, when he received a sudden order to ring up the "Colonel" at Rouleucourt. The following conversation ensued:

"Is that Orpen?" "Yes, sir." "What do you mean by behaving in this way?" "What way, please, sir?" "By not reporting to me?" "I'm sorry, sir, but I do not understand." "Don't you know you must report to me and show me what work you have been doing?" "I've practically done nothing yet, sir." "What have you been doing?" "Looking around, sir." "Are you aware that you are being paid for your services? Report to me and show me your work regularly."

The colonel expected him to work all day, and to motor 110 miles every evening to have his work passed! His attitude was not far removed from that of the officer who is said to have barked out to another official artist: "Right turn! Paint!"

The Products of Nova Scotia.

Some interesting facts in connection with the products of the Province of Nova Scotia are set forth by Mr. W. H. Dennis of Halifax, managing director of the Herald, the Mail and the Leader of that city. They indicate, in a graphic manner, the output of coal, grain, fruit, fish, wool, lumber, etc.

Coal—A train of coal cars containing Nova Scotia's yearly output of coal would reach from New York City to Salt Lake City.

Apples—A year's production of apples in standard barrels, placed end to end, would reach from New York to Indianapolis.

Lobsters—Nova Scotia produces eighty per cent. of the world's supply of lobsters.

Potatoes—A year's production of potatoes packed in barrels, end to end, would extend from New York to Denver.

Wheat—The wheat produced last year in Nova Scotia would give a standard loaf of bread to every man, woman and child in the States of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

Oats—Enough oats are grown yearly in Nova Scotia to feed generously for three days every one of the 21 million horses in the United States.

Wool—The wool produced yearly would make 500,000 suits of clothes.

Lumber—The yearly lumber cut produces sufficient material for 30,000 residences of eight rooms each.

Bits About Bells.

The largest bell in the world, the "Tsar Kolokol," has never been rung. It cracked in the casting, and now stands on a pedestal in the Kremlin at Moscow, a place ever famous for its bells, and its weight is 198 tons. This place still has the largest bell in use, however, one weighing 125 tons, also two others, 80 and 57 tons respectively.

Our bells are small compared with these giants, says an English newspaper, but it will be news to many people to find that our biggest bell is not "Big Ben," which weighs 13 1/2 tons, there being one in St. Paul's that is 17 1/2 tons. Great Peter, in York Minster, boasts a meagre 10 1/2 tons.

Pearls of "swung" bells are never more than twelve in number, and the number of changes capable of being rung are according to the number in the peal. On three bells, six changes can be rung; on six bells, 720; on a full peal of twelve, as at St. Paul's, 479,901,600 changes can be rung.

"Chiming" bells—those that are struck instead of swinging—are termed carillon bells, and may number forty or more to a set, mechanical means being chiefly used for chiming them. Shoreditch, Manchester, and Worcester possess fine examples of these, but in this respect we are still far behind Belgium, despite the ravages of war.

A failure establishes only this, that our determination to succeed was not strong enough.—Bovee.

A writer sent a poem to an editor, who, it seems, had little use for verse. The title of the poem was, "Why Am I Alive?" The editor wrote, when he received the poem, "Because you sent your poem by mail instead of delivering it in person."

Your job is your best friend. On the way you treat it, the way you manage it, depends your whole future. Your mental attitude towards your job, your expectations, your convictions regarding it, will influence your future, one way or the other. The humblest job may be the beginning of a great career. It may be the foundation of marvelous things.

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RUSH TO OIL FIELD ON RIM OF ARCTIC

RICH FINDS ALONG MACKENZIE RIVER.

Tremendous Distances and Short Summer Season to be Cut by Inventions.

The eyes of the world are rapidly being focused upon the sub-Arctic region of northern Canada along the banks of the Mackenzie River at a point some fourteen hundred miles from a railroad, from which stretches what now appears may develop into one of the richest petroleum fields in the world. The first news of the immense possibilities became known to the world at large in October, 1920, when a discharged employee of the Imperial Oil Company related at Edmonton, Alberta, how the company had brought in a gusher averaging about 1,000 barrels a day.

Edmonton is the city nearest to the strike, a distance of 1,600 miles, but where the recording office for the Northwest territory still is. The news of the new field spread rapidly until by March men in all parts of the world had begun preparing to rush to the sub-Arctic region as soon as navigation opens.

The irony of the present excitement is that the knowledge that the Mac-

kenzie River region is rich in oil possibilities is not at all a new thing. Alexander Mackenzie, the celebrated explorer, made much mention of the oil seepages along the Mackenzie 130 years ago, and Sir John Franklin also mentions how the oil exuded from the earth in great quantities. The existence of oil was also known to many men in recent days, but the immense distance of the field from rail head and the tremendous difficulties of navigation and the shortness of the season discouraged any individual or small company from going into this so far field, lying only 150 miles from the Arctic Circle.

Imperial Oil Co. in Field.
But the Canadian Government geologists had not overlooked the region, and one other concern, unhampered by any lack of means, and to which a few years of waiting did not matter, went into the Mackenzie River region a number of years ago, and for the last five years, as far as can be known, has kept a number of men at work prospecting for oil. This concern was no less than the Imperial Oil Company of Canada. With the demand for petroleum, and particularly its by-product, gasoline, continually growing to such enormous proportions and to threaten to exceed the supply, it was but natural such a large company should eagerly seek a new field.

So immensely important did the Dominion Government of Canada consider the new field that on January 25, 1921, all previous petroleum and natural gas regulations were suspended by an order in Council. Following this on February 12, new regulations were made known which read: "If oil is discovered the lessee will be allowed to take out a twenty-one year lease for an area of one square mile, the remaining three-quarters going to the Government. That is, though the man discover oil on 2,560 acres, which he is allowed to stake under his permit, three-quarters remain Crown reserve.

Location of the Strike.
For those unfamiliar with the great

northwest of Canada a good map of the region should be studied while reading the following lines regarding routes into the new field. The oil strike is in latitude 65 N. and longitude 126 west. In this vicinity begins the oil field. The most direct summer route is covered by rail, steam and land portage. The new railroad into the northland runs some three hundred miles, to near Port McMurray. Over this, much of which is still skeleton track, a light auto runs on rails. It can travel faster than a train could with safety. Port McMurray traffic into the great north goes down the Athabasca River, across Lake Athabasca and down Slave River to Fitzgerald, here is a sixteen mile land portage to Fort Smith, on the Mackenzie, which portage is now traversed by modern caterpillar tractors and big lorries.

From Fort Smith, the Slave River, Slave Lake and Mackenzie River offer easy transportation to the Arctic Sea. An alternate route can be taken from Peace River Crossing, travelling via the Peace River to Fitzgerald. Upon both these routes steamers of very light draft, gas boats and flat scow boats carry all supplies and machinery that goes into the north. The Athabasca River opens about May 1, the Mackenzie about May 22, but Slave Lake cannot be depended upon until July 1. For nearly three centuries these great waterways have been travelled by white men, first the voyagers in their canoes and York boats, then the later rivermen in their flat bottomed scows.

Not since the Klondike rush in '98 and '99, when Edmonton, Alberta, was one point of entrance to the gold fields, has excitement reigned so high. All herbs on steamers have been booked for the first trip in the spring. From all parts of the world queries are pouring into the northern metropolises. The Hudson's Bay Company, the historic trading company of the land, received so many queries it had to set aside a special staff to attend to the work. Many firms are working on large orders to go in the spring.

Airplane Route Short.
The feature of greatest interest to the average man and particularly to the historian is the part the aeroplane will play this summer in conquering this last frontier, this fastness of Nature which, but for this strike, might have remained forever the haunt of the Indian and the fur trading white man. The Imperial Oil Company so far has led all others in preparation. It has two all steel monoplanes ready to go north. These machines were flown from New York to Edmonton, a distance of over two thousand miles, in the dead of winter, but though this was a very important event in the way of a cross continent flight, almost nothing was made known of it. The Dominion Government is preparing to establish a new proficiency badge for scouts attaining to certain standards of proficiency along various athletic lines. To qualify as a Boy Scout Athlete a Scout must pass tests including sprinting, jumping, throwing the baseball, chinning the bar, push up from floor, 8-pound shot put, "scout pace," a demonstration of proper method of sitting, standing and running, method of starting in a race and dieting and regular exercise. A different set of standards is laid down for each age group of Scouts, and to hold the badge each boy must repeat the tests annually.

Another troop which has already started its 1921 camping season is the St. George's Troop, Sarnia. The Patrol Leaders and Scouts recently held a very successful week-end camp on the shores of Lake Huron.

A Splendid Medicine FOR THE CHILDREN

Baby's Own Tablets are the best medicine a mother can give her little ones. They are a mild laxative which quickly regulate the bowels and stomach and are guaranteed to be entirely free from any injurious drugs. Concerning them Mrs. A. D. West, Loreburn, Sask., writes: "Baby's Own Tablets have given me more satisfaction than anything else I have ever given my children. They are easily taken; always work well and though I have given quite a few to my baby they seem to work as well now as at first, which is something other laxatives seldom do." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

The Best Food Story.
It is not perhaps generally known that Mr. Henry Ford keeps a book in which are pasted all the many hundreds of different jokes that have appeared in the American and English newspapers concerning his cars. So far from resenting the slugs he rather welcomes them, as affording him a good free advertisement, and recently he himself told this one in public, with the added comment that it was the best of the batch. The head of a government department at Washington (said Mr. Ford) wanted a car, and rang up the garage where they were kept. "Sorry," came the reply. "We've only a couple of Fords in just now." "All right, send one along. And I say, while you're about it, send a squirrel with it, will you?" "Squirrel? What do you want a squirrel for?" asked the puzzled garage keeper. "To pick up the nuts."

Why is it that a man considers his wife extravagant when she spends a dollar and himself prudent when he spends five?

HOW RHEUMATISM CAN BE OVERCOME

Not by Rubbing, But by Enriching the Blood.

Rheumatism is a disorder of the blood. It attacks people when the blood is overcharged with acid and impurities, thus setting up inflammation in the muscles and joints. Wet weather or cold weather may start the tortures of rheumatism, but it is not the cause. The cause is in the blood. Victims of this malady have every reason to fear the first dull ache in the limbs and joints, followed by sharp pains through the flesh and muscles; these are the symptoms of poison in the blood, which will shortly leave the victim pain-racked and helpless. Liniments, hot applications and rubbing may give temporary ease, but cannot possibly root the trouble out of the system. That can only be done by enriching the blood. This new blood drives out the poisonous impurities, and the rheumatism disappears. If you are a sufferer from this painful malady, begin the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and see how soon the pains and stiffness of the joints fade away. Among those who have benefited by the use of these pills is Mr. Freeman Irving, Baxter Harbor, N.S., who says: "Some time ago my blood was in a terrible condition, leaving me in a much run down, and with boils breaking out on my body. To add to my misery rheumatism set in, and I not only suffered greatly from the pain, but could only get around with the greatest difficulty. After trying several medicines without much success, I decided to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial, as they had been warmly recommended to me. I think I used nine boxes altogether, but the results met my every expectation, as both the boils and the rheumatism disappeared. Naturally I feel that I cannot praise the pills too highly."

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Boy Scout Notes.

Hamilton's Boy Scout Camp will be held this year at Woodlawn Park, near Selkirk, on Lake Erie. It will operate during the whole months of July and August and an equipment large enough to take care of one hundred boys a day will be installed. Hamilton Troops under their own Scoutmasters will go into Camp at dates now being assigned.

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A Scout conference of far-reaching possibilities was held last week in Toronto, the participants being members of the Dominion Headquarters Staff of the Boy Scouts Association and of the National Headquarters staff of the Boy Scouts of America. The primary purpose of the meeting was to decide on the best possible arrangement of material under consideration for use in the creation of a new all-Canadian scouting literature. In discussing the possibilities of scouting in general, emphasis was laid on scouting as a community activity, and one of the great character building factors in the life of the nation. To the furtherance of these ideals both the Canadian and the American organizations are directing all their efforts. Several important features of the Boy Scout scheme of organization in Canada have recently been adapted to the needs of the American organization. The most important of these changes has been the establishment of twelve regional councils corresponding to the provincial councils in Canada.

Might Be Either!
A certain officer brought home with him from Africa an intelligent but illiterate Kaffir to carry on with the duties of a batman he had learnt in the Service. One day the officer was reading when he became painfully conscious of Pete constantly peeping over his shoulder. "What do you want, Pete?" he asked at length. "I wants ter ask yer a quesham, sah," replied the nigger, grinning. "Well, what is it?" invited the officer kindly. "I has seen folks reading books and de like, an' I jess wants ter know which it is yer reads—de white or de black?"

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BITS OF HUMOR FROM HERE & THERE

Proving Up.
"What right have you to wear that medal for bravery in combat?" asked the officer. "Best right in the world, sir. I licked the fellow it was issued to."

How It Worked.
"We made a solemn compact on the day we were married that in all minor affairs my wife's word should be law, while I should decide all major ones." "Has the scheme worked?" "Y-yes, I think I may say so. No major affairs happen to have cropped up."

Just Like That.
Teacher—Thomas, will you tell me what a conjunction is, and compose a sentence containing one? Thomas (after reflection)—"A conjunction is a word connecting anything, such as 'The horse is hitched to the fence by a halter. Halter is a conjunction because it connects the horse and the fence.'"

What He Prayed For.
The pastor was interrogating the pride of the family. "And do you always say your prayers before you go to bed?" "Yes, sir," replied Johnnie. "And what are the things you pray for?" pursued the good man. "Well," responded Johnnie, thoughtfully, "mostly that pa won't find out what I've been doing during the day!"

Wise Willie.
It was the week before little Willie's birthday, and he was on his knees at his bedside petitioning for presents in a very loud voice. "Please send me," he shouted, "a bicycle, a tool chest, a—"

"What are you praying so loud for?" his younger brother interrupted. "God ain't deaf."

"I know he ain't," said little Willie, winking toward the next room, "but grandma is."

Collecting Overdone.
Miss Madge was making her first trip in a train. The ticket-collector came along and called for the tickets. Madge readily gave up her ticket.

But later they stopped at a station, and a station-boy came down the platform calling: "Chocolates!"

"Never!" cried Madge bravely. "You can take my ticket, but not my chocolates!"

Show a Little Gratitude, Do!
A captain in the Mercantile Marine, who received much commendation for his wonderful courage and endurance during the war, was asked to address a meeting.

The local mayor spoke first and at considerable length. When he had finished the audience rose, almost to a man, to leave the building.

The mayor sprang to his feet again and rushed to the edge of the platform. "Come back and take your seats!" he called excitedly. "Come back, every one of you! This man spent some rotten hours for us during the war, and it is up to us now to do the same for him."

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