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### The West is not Everything

M. T. Fraser, of the Morning Chronicle Staff, who is with Sir Wilfrid Laurier's party in his tour of the West, has following in a recent letter to the Chronicle:

"At Moose Jaw I met a Nova Scotian, and as he gazed sadly into the creek, called by courtesy a river, I said: 'Wouldn't you like to be back in little old Nova Scotia where there are the Ten Commandments, and if a man raises a thirst he is not scared to death to drink the water of the country; where it one crop fails there are half a dozen others; where it all the crops fail there are mines and the fisheries and the woods; where you can get a decent piece of cod-fish or a salt herring—' he interrupted me with a despairing wail.

"Don't talk of herring to me," said he. "I can stand being parted from the old folks and the old farm and the old barn and all other things I hold dear, there is a other championship or amusement in this country and I am resigned to it. But the fact that in all the country I can't get herring or for that matter, fish of any kind, convinces me that it will never be a white man's country."

He would have gone further, but I interrupted him by saying "And yet you live in it."

"Simply because I can make more here than I can back East—or think I can; but I have found out that that is not everything in life."

### Russia Gripped By Dreaded Cholera

London, Aug. 28: One week's cholera record for Russia shows 23,944 new cases and 10,725 deaths, bringing the total number of cases in Russia up to 112,995. Of these 50,827 or nearly half have died, the exact percentage of mortality being 45.5.

These figures cover the week from August 7 to 13 inclusive, and are official. Reports from Red Cross sources indicate that the actual figures are somewhat greater.

The epidemic in St. Petersburg itself shows a considerable decrease, only 276 cases and 138 deaths having been reported for the six days ended on Thursday, in comparison to 577 cases and 233 deaths reported the previous week. The authorities believe that from now on the epidemic will continue its natural decrease.

The total figures for St. Petersburg since the first cases were reported June 20th, show 2,679 cases and 730 deaths. The mortality in the capital is 33 per cent less than in the southern provinces.

The cholera epidemic has already broken out in Southern Italy and is steadily increasing. The disease is a virulent type and the death rate is high. Greater danger is feared because of the flight of the people of the infected district, who may bear the germs of the disease to regions not yet invaded.

Rumors that the epidemic had spread to Rome is denied.

"Yes," said the somewhat severe lady, "my ancestors came over in the Mayflower."

"From what I have heard," replied Mrs. Camrox, accommodations on the Mayflower didn't compare with those of a modern liner; but of course the rates were lower."

### Florence Nightingale

People who do not recollect the Crimean war—considerably over fifty years ago—can form no idea of the place occupied by Florence Nightingale in the hearts and feelings of the British people. When the fact became known that British soldiers, wounded or ill, were lying in a deplorable condition on Crimean fields while their French allies were being patiently and heroically cared for by the Sisters of Charity sent out by the French government, there was a state of feeling created which moved England more deeply than the war itself. The people insisted on changed conditions in the British camp. Florence Nightingale already had a reputation as a devoted nurse and as a worker for love of the service, for she had sufficient means to live without. The nation breathed freely when it was known that she would undertake the work of providing care for the soldiers. The task was a heavy one, the trials were many, but she persisted at it with energy; and with the knowledge which she has acquired in her training in a profession to which she had devoted her life, not only did Miss Nightingale do great things for the stricken soldiers on the battle field, but her work embraced much more than that. She had been, practically and almost entirely, the founder of the whole modern system of trained nurses and nursing. She saw that the country might need at any time, not alone in war, but in pestilence and in famine, capable nurses, and these she took steps to secure, while the people readily provided the money, and they trusted to her guidance. Monarchs have invested her with ranks, and orders and patents, but the people have conferred upon her the title of "The Angel of the Crimea." "The Lady of the Lamp," "The Mother of Nurses," and other equally appropriate designations descriptive of her work. Born May 12, 1820, Miss Nightingale has lived to see her work begin increase, enlarge, extend until it is blessed throughout the universe, and gives a humane tone and character to this age which no preceding age has equalled. Her death on Sunday, August 14th, certainly ends a remarkable life.—St. John Globe.

### The Crippen Case

Miss LeNève is variously described as a trustful girl who was the victim of Dr. Crippen, and as an artful female who designedly prolonged his affections under the very eyes of his wife, and shared his guilt in the crime committed. All kinds of theories and suppositions will be published, pending the trial of the case in London. Of Dr. Crippen at Quebec, the Montreal Herald says: "Crippen's dark cell in which the ordinary wooden bench has been replaced by an iron cot, was brighter today. About it were several bunches of the flowers. These were sent to the alleged murderer by a woman. Books and magazines peered into the prisoner in such quantities that Crippen's cell looks like a circulating library." One would like to know by what mental process a woman could bring herself to the point of sending flowers to the cell of a man who appears to have been guilty of a most atrocious crime, of which his own wife was the victim. We seldom hear, says the St. John Times of flowers being strewn on the graves of those who have been murdered. By an extraordinary misplacement of sympathy they are sent to the murderer. There appears to be a good deal of insanity in this world that is not properly labelled.

### Joker's Column

Maud: How stout Miss Waite is getting.  
Belle: Isn't she! She says she can't even skip in reading a dull novel.

Mrs. X: I'm going to an employment agency this afternoon? I have got to get a new masseur.  
Mrs. Q: Why don't you run your own car.

'What a poor man sees is a thrifty economical wife.'  
'That sounds like magazine advice. What a poor man really needs is a rich liberal wife.'

A negro came running down the lane as if the old boy were after him.  
'What are you running for, Mose?' cried the colonel from the barn.  
'I ain't a-runnin' for,' shouted back Mose. 'I see runnin' from.'

Wife: The landlord was here today and I gave him the rent and showed him the baby.  
Husband: Next time he comes around just show him the rent and give him the baby.

The Doctor: I've been having some trouble lately in the shape of toothache.  
The Professor: Merely to satisfy my curiosity would you mind telling me what a toothache is shaped like.

'James A. Patten has a fine house in Chicago,' said a New York broker. 'I dined with him there one night last month.'

After dinner I admired a superb statue in the drawing-room.  
'Splendid statue, that!' I said 'What is made of—bronze or copper?'  
'I made it out of cotton,' said Mr. Patten.

'Notice that big homely woman with a big hat hanging to a strap?'  
'Which one?'  
'That one right in front of you, next to the two men sitting down and reading newspapers.'

'Yes, I see the woman, but her back is turned. How do you know she is homely?'  
'The men are still reading their newspapers, and she's still hanging to a strap.'

Maudie is a woman of a very open nature.  
I notice that it is very hard to make her shut up.

Wilfred: Ma, I wish I was crossed-eyed.  
Mrs. Gumbasta: What makes you wish such a foolish thing my dear?

Wilfred: Why, then I could stand on the sidewalk and watch a parade coming and going at the same time.

A conductor on a car had a good run of business on Sunday afternoon, but he had difficulty in keeping himself supplied with small change. Many persons who patronized his car handed him dollar bills in payment of their fares.  
'Is that the smallest you have?' queried the conductor.

The woman looked at the conductor and then at the baby, and made this surprising remark:  
'Yes, I have been married only twelve months.'

'Susannah,' asked the preacher, when it came her turn to answer the usual question in such cases, "do you take this man to be your wedded husband, for better or for worse...?"  
'Yes, as he is, parson," she interrupted! "Jee' as he is. Ey he gets any better sh'll know de good Ladd's wine to take 'im; and if he gets any wasser, w'y, sh'll tend to 'im myself."

—Youth's Companion.

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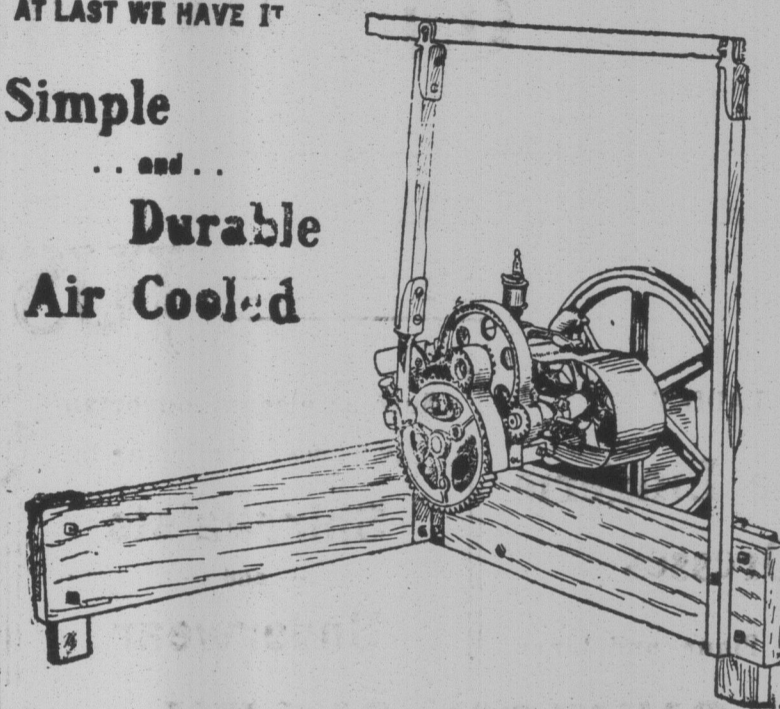
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