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### Music Hath Charms.

Music in early Biblical times was used with having not only the power to charm, but also with the power to cure. History records a Spanish king who was subjected to violent fits of melancholy, and an effort was made to cure him by placing him in a dark room and nothing could induce him to leave the seclusion nor to receive an interest in the life around him. In despair the king's medical adviser decided to try the effect of music upon him. Thereupon a noted singer was ordered to sing in the adjoining room. Though at first no apparent effect was visible, tears came into the monarch's eyes when he commanded his door to be opened. The great singer with his haunting melodies had brought order and calmness to the king's disturbed

mind, and so he became his natural self again.

### World War Ends September 1.

The date for the official termination of the war except with Turkey will be September 1. Under the "Termination of the Present War Act," the war could not be declared officially ended for Great Britain until all the peace treaties had been ratified, but it has been decided that the treaty with Turkey might be ignored. The last of the other treaties, that with Hungary, was ratified in Paris on Tuesday last. The setting of the date for the official end of the war will pave the way for the settlement of financial transactions outstanding between the Bank of England and the Stock Exchange, and will mean much to certain lines of business.

### Suicide Wave.

Since the first of the year a suicide wave has swept over the United States. During the first six months there were reported 6,509 suicides, of whom 4,537 were males and 1,932 females. In the first half of 1920, 2,771 suicides were reported in the United States—1,810 males and 961 females. The average age of the male suicide is 43 years. Unsettled economic conditions, with loss of employment and business failures, are blamed. The most dreadful phase is the pitiful fact that, while 225 children ended their lives in the first half of 1920, the number has more than doubled this year. Of these latter, 214 were boys and 233 were girls, a total of 447. The average age is: Boys, 18; girls, 15. A large percentage of the girls took poison, and most of the boys shot themselves.

### The Postal Service Protected.

How old is the Postal Branch of the Civil Service in this country? I just dunno, but as old as it is, it is one with an eternal grievance of the officials from time immemorial—poor pay, overlooked services, parasites in authority, whilst the rank and file do the work. That's the story of the Post Office in this country in a nutshell.

I know a thing or two about the pay sheet of Postal offices in other countries, and the difference is so vast that it borders on the ludicrous, with the laughs on us. What's the matter with our several Governments that they have never attempted to do justice to this important branch of the Civil Service? In England the Postal servants are the best paid officials in the Civil Service. In Canada the Post office employee gets double and in many cases three times as much wage as is paid in Newfoundland. In the United States the same official gets not only a splendid salary, but according to his office, a bonus and perquisites that total so valuable a recognition as would give some of our thin-skinned politicians heart disease if I were to quote figuratively.

Here in Newfoundland the Post Office pay sheet is a joke, and one of the Civil Service forces. How and why? Just this. To pay a man who has been from 35 to 45 years in the service \$30.00 a month, is a farce. To ask officials to do responsible work—work that means recourse to the most honest principles, and to hand him from \$50.00 to \$60.00 per month is simply worse. To expect men to handle the most trusted and private affairs of the public, to act for that public, and to become as it were the custodians of public confidence, and all for the rotten emolument that seems so large in the eyes of a niggardly Government, is the greatest absurdity and joke of all.

Sane administration would pay the Postal employees. It would be only just. An administration gone lunatic in contumacy has cut the Postal employees. It is time the whole Civil Service, and the Postal branch of it particularly, woke up and looked for and got what the admirable President of the F.P.U. is pleased to admire in the happy motto that reads, "To every man his own." OBSERVER.

### SIMMERING SUMMER.



Again the summer is at hand, when talk of crops will find the land. The farmer, with a gloomy frown, will grumble when he goes to town, and say the weather then on deck is ruinous to him, by heck. And if I greet him with a smile, and say, "Such weather's worth our while," he'll look upon the smiling morn, and say, "It's killing all the corn. If we don't soon have lots of rain, our season's toil will be in vain." And if I praise the passing wind, he shows how grievously it's sinned. "That zipping, everlasting breeze has spoiled my crop of early peas. Doggone the wind, that never stops; we need calm weather for the crops." "There was a heavy dew last night," perchance I'll say, with weird delight; "and when I looked around at dawn it seemed that diamonds strewed the lawn." Whereat the farmer makes reply, "The summer nights should all be dry. The dew that makes you feel so gay has spoiled for me nine tons of hay. Said hay was drenched, as though by rain; the sight of it gives me a pain." And thus all summer do we hear the husbandman's predictions drear; whatever weather is on tap gives willies to the mournful chap; and yet when autumn comes along his bank account is good and strong, his barns are full of precious oats, and he has corn to fatten hogs, and all his hens are laying eggs, and he should dance on buoyant legs.

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