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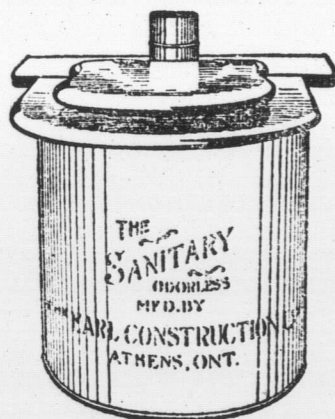
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LOCAL NEWS

ATHENS AND VICINITY

Election Results

Up to going to press the latest results obtainable of the election are as follows:—

Liberal 118, Conservative 50 Progressive 64, Laborites 2, with Yukon to be heard from.

Mr. Stewart's majority in this riding is about 1700.

Member-Elect

Extends Thanks

To the Electors of Leeds

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

I wish to thank all who in any way assisted in my election, and desire to make expression of my gratitude commensurate to the services rendered in each case.

The Officers of our various Associations and the Local Chairmen and Committees discharged their duties with much credit to themselves.

The assistance given by the ladies was also a very important factor.

I renew my pledge of service and assure you that I shall to the best of my ability strive to promote the best interests of Canada.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I remain

Yours faithfully,

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Many foreign countries are clamoring for Tanlac. Its fame is world-wide. For sale by J. P. Lamb and Son, Athens.

MARRIED—at Glen Ewen, Sask, Nov 30th 1921, Miss Bertha Hollingsworth, of Athens, Ont, to Mr Harold Sifton Green, of Wawanesa, Manitoba, by Rev Mr Evans.

Mrs Harry Stevens, Elgin St, recently visited Brockville to see her mother, Mrs Brown, who is very ill.

Mrs W J Barlow of Lyn spent Tuesday night with her daughter Mrs (Dr) Paul.

Mrs Hillis, Elgin St, has been ill for some time.

It is astonishing how quickly Tanlac will produce results. You usually feel better from the very first dose. For sale by J. P. Lamb and Son, Athens.

Mr George Rappell of Brockville, spent Monday here coming out to get particulars regarding the accident and death of his nephew, the late J Gordon Rappell.

Mrs Andrew Henderson spent part of last week in town with her sister Mrs Rappell and niece Miss Grace Rappell.

Mrs Albert E Brown and Master Jamie, of Leeds, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs Rappell.

Mrs. J. S. Lattimer has come to spend the winter with her mother Mrs. J. E. Robeson.

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Rev. J. G. Robeson of Concession spent a few days with his mother Mrs. J. E. Robeson, and aunt, Mrs. Geo. Stevens of Elgin St.

Card of Thanks

Mrs Rappell and Miss Grace Rappell wish to thank their friends for the many expressions of sympathy in their bereavement.

The Council of Rear Yonge and Escott will meet on Thursday evening 12th inst. at 7 o'clock.

In the ten minutes devoted to the children next Sunday morning Rev. Newton will give an object lesson on "The Three Cups". The subject of the morning sermon will be "What Protestants learn from Roman Catholics" which will be continued on the morning of the 18th of December by a consideration of "What Roman Catholics could learn from Protestants". The evening subject next Sunday will be "Fling yourself at Jesus". Strangers are always welcome.

We extend congratulations to Rev. V. O. Boyle who recently secured the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Trinity College, Toronto.

The Globe Clothing Co., of Brockville, is displaying a very fine line of Men's and Boy's Xmas Ties at 50c 75c and \$1.00. It will pay you to see these early.

Christ Church Sunday School Entertainment

Ha, Ha, Ha, for you and me,
We are going to the Xmas tree
On the twentieth of December bright
and clear.

It will be the jolliest day of all the year

The very first thing that they will present—
Will be "Good Work William" and I bet a cent—
It will be great 'cause the boys and girls who are taking part
Know all their lines right off by heart

Now there's naughty William—that's Bernard
He's the funniest Guy—Believe me, Pard
The way he hands across the chaff
Would make a wooden Monkey laugh

There's Mary Duff, who makes a bluff
At a saleslady for to be
And there's her uncle Jo—but sure—we all know
That he's only Geoffrey Goodbody

Then Katy Taylor takes a part and speaks her lines up pert and smart
And Irene Gifford sweetly sings
'Bout rose-coloured glasses and other things

There's George Godkin—he's a bus. iness man and Marjorie she's his aunt
Lydia Ann
You'll all feel sorry for Ruth and Florence Nichol

Kate sold their hats and got them in a pickle.

Then Rhea, she's an awful crank
And said right for 'em like a tank
Miss Spriggios with her china rare of course is Doris Lynons—dressed-up for a fair

That Old Uncle Abner—he couldn't be beat
But taint hard to guess he's Donald Peat

Then there's Sinclair and Herbert, both spry young chaps

And sleeping Jim Hudson who takes afternoon naps

There's Steacy, the Tally—and James the nig
And little Betty Fair in an out-and-ish rig

Then Lloyd and Betty the Newsboys small
Hurrah! for "Good Work William"
So come one, and come all

The names of the cast appearing in "The Blue Bird's Wedding" presented by the Kindergarten, and those taking leading parts in the Song Picture "The Kings of the Orient" will appear, in similar manner, in next week's paper.

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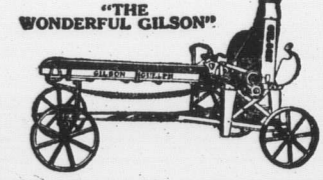
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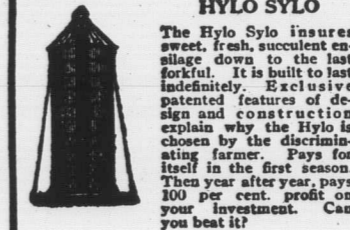
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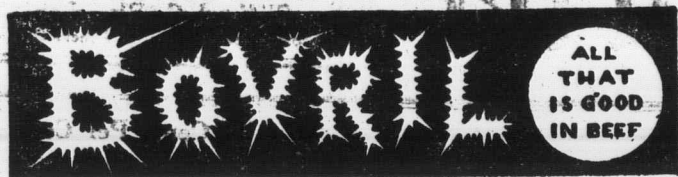


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CHAPTER VIII.—(Cont'd.)

Thus ran the reflections of Hughey Podmore as he lounged comfortably in a leather chair aboard the private car, "Obaska," and idly watched the endless flow of the Algoma wilderness pass the windows monotonously. The car had taken an inspection party west to the head of the lakes, but a wire from the Vice-President was sending the President back to headquarters unexpectedly. Besides President Wade, Podmore and Taylor, the steward, the only person on board was Bob Cranston. Cranston was chief of the railroad's Special Service Department. Taylor was busy in the kitchen, preparing dinner. Cranston and the President had the brass-railed observation platform at the rear of the car to themselves and were deep in earnest conversation; they had shut the door at their backs and the sound of their voices was lost in the roar of the wheels.

Hughey Podmore smiled cynically as he watched them. There was nothing in President Wade's fine strong profile to indicate the trend of talk. Both, in fact, were men who seldom allowed what they were thinking to reflect in their facial expressions too readily. Nevertheless, the perspicacious Mr. Podmore could surmise the subject of conversation, or at any rate give a guess which was close enough to satisfy his own curiosity.

He amused himself by running over the list of possible topics. Wade was a big man in financial circles, a man of rugged and plain-spoken dealings who commanded the confidence of every associate and was respected even by his enemies. There were many matters of moment which he might have discussed with bankers or lawyers or statesmen, but which he would hardly attempt with a bull-necked bonehead like Cranston. Government railway bond issues, franchises and stock quotations were beyond that cheap stuff's depth. Probably Cranston was holding forth in regard to some petty theft which his crew of spotters had discovered, some ticket-scalping conductor—

Or there was old Nat Lawson's case in which Wade was interested; it was a topic that was often uppermost in the railway President's mind, as Podmore knew, and Hughey smiled inscrutably at the smoke curling from his cigarette. Old Nat, the founder and former president of the Interprovincial Loan & Savings Company—the honest old fool whom Nickleby had succeeded in overcoming by a trick, and whose shoes J. Cuthbert was now wearing! It would take more than the friendship of a Benjamin Wade, powerful though that was, to salvage Old Nat. That manny-whiskered old goat was sunk in too many fathoms of water; ever to wide ashore. (He smiled at his poor pun.) The missing power-of-attorney that had scuttled the Lawson supporters would continue missing for all time to come. Mr. J. Cuthbert Nickleby, the then genial secretary, had seen to that once for all; in fact, it had been a charred fragment of the document which Mr. Hughey Podmore had used as a card of introduction when he had had his first long and very interesting session with Friend Nickleby.

Some class to Nickleby all right. Here were methods which Mr. Podmore could understand and admire. It was because the minds of Messrs. Podmore and Nickleby ran in the same groove that he had been able to unearth enough of Nickleby's very private plans to persuade that rising young financier that it was better to set another plate at the head table than to have the dishes smashed and Lucullus waylaid before he could reach the banquetting-hall.

So Mr. Podmore had hung up his hat, accepted a cigar and joined the congenial spirit and able counselor. And inasmuch as President Wade, of the Canadian Lake Shores Railroad, was seeking about that time for a private secretary with a newspaper

training; inasmuch as it was known to J. Cuthbert Nickleby that the said President Wade hoped to restore Old Nat Lawson to his former place in the business world by acquiring control of the Interprovincial Loan & Savings Company—inasmuch as it seemed desirable in the interests of Messrs. Nickleby and Podmore that Mr. Podmore should apply for the vacant secretaryship. Podmore had got the position, thereby enabling Nickleby to keep a finger upon the pulse of his position.

Wade was shrewd, clever, a big man; he knew many things, did Benjamin Wade, railway magnate. But, reflected Hughey, there were many things also which he did not know, and there was a disagreeable twist in the corner of Podmore's mouth as he lounged and smoked. His revered chief did not know, for instance, that his very competent secretary had spent the better part of an afternoon alone in the private car "Obaska," listening to the click of the tumblers in the little secret wall safe which the President had had built in behind a sliding panel—listening so intelligently that the said very competent secretary had come away with the combination.

Podmore's further enjoyment of retrospection was cut short by a sudden gesture which riveted his attention upon the two men on the rear platform. Cranston had turned suddenly and was peering in at him; almost automatically Podmore's eyes dropped quickly to the open magazine on his knee. There was a certain hint of caution on the railroad detective's face that did not escape the astute secretary. The latter's vigilance was rewarded presently by seeing Cranston reach into an inside pocket, pull out a bulky blue envelope and quickly pass it across to the President. The latter as quickly stowed it out of sight in an inner pocket of his tweed coat and himself cast a hasty glance over his shoulder to see if he had been observed. But again Mr. Podmore's gaze dropped in time and when he raised his eyes casually from his magazine it was to note an expression of satisfaction upon the faces of both gentlemen. They got up and came inside, laughing rather loudly.

"That there steak and onions Taylor's cookin' is sure goin' to hit the spot," cried Cranston, sniffing with relish. "Eh, Hughey?" He dropped into the chair alongside the secretary with a familiar slap on the latter's knee, and thrust his legs out in the sprawling abandon of a comfortable stretch.

Unfortunately he did this just as President Wade, having turned to toss away the end of his cigar, took a step forward with a hand thrust into an inside pocket of his coat, evidently intending to put away in the safe the envelope which Cranston had given him. The result of Cranston's sudden movement and Wade's awkward position was that the President tripped, lost his balance and would have measured full length on the car floor if Cranston had not caught him. In his effort to save himself the blue envelope was jerked out of his pocket and fell directly at Podmore's feet.

"Oh, I beg your pardon, sir!" apologized Cranston hurriedly.

"That's all right, Bob," laughed Wade good naturedly. "Thanks, Hughey," as his secretary handed him the envelope. "Why, what's the matter?"

Podmore's face had gone suddenly white and he was trembling visibly. "Ain't you feelin' well, Hughey?" enquired Cranston with concern. He rang quickly for highballs.

"It's all right,—thanks," stammered Podmore hastily. "I—I guess it's just a little faintness due to the fact that I ate practically no lunch—I'm all right now."

Nevertheless when Taylor arrived with the decanter Podmore poured himself an extra stiff drink. He had need of it. For a second time he had lost his poise, and it was only with the greatest difficulty that he prevented any further manifestation of the fact during the meal and the evening which followed. For unless he was very much mistaken—and he felt sure that he was not—that envelope he had picked up and handed to the President that had been stolen weeks ago! The size of it, the feel of it, the daubs of gray sealing-wax—Oh, there was no mistaking it!

How in thunderation had it come into Cranston's hands—Cranston, of all men! Had Cranston pulled off the stunt? Had Podmore been doing him an injustice? He studied the chief of the Special Service Department with a new and wide-awake interest. If Cranston had pulled this off, it was under orders—Wade's, of course. Then that suspicion which had kept recurring every time he had tried to think out the mystery of the disappearance was correct. It was a political move! The opponents of the Government were lining up for the approaching election with open charges of malfeasance, graft—the same old game! Wade, he knew, had had friction with the present administration over certain legislation; that was sufficient motive for him taking a hand, although it was hardly likely that a man of Wade's standing would allow himself to become involved in such

back-alley tactics—unless Nickleby—the Interprovincial—!

Podmore's thoughts were not running so clearly as usual. They kept pocketing themselves provokingly in blind alleys that led nowhere, or scattering in mazes that led everywhere. There was such a wide field of speculation open, once he began to consider things from the political angle, that it was difficult to reach any very definite conclusion. He was not now so concerned as to the why or the how of what had happened; the cold analysis of motives and methods was dwarfed by the one big fact that here on board the private car and within easy reach was that blessed envelope, containing fifty thousand dollars of any man's money. For it did not look as if it had been tampered with; the seals were still unbroken. Right here, within a few yards of where he sat, was that little old bunch of greenbacks that he had planned so earnestly to take unto his bosom and that had cost him so many heartburnings this past two weeks. Talk about luck! Talk about Opportunity knocking once on somebody's door! Why, the Old Dame was chopping down his door with an axe!

With his mind in such a chaos of confused emotions Hughey found it difficult to keep up his end of the conversation and he was not sorry when the others showed a tendency to turn in early. Once the lights were dimmed he could hardly wait the reasonable length of time which must elapse before the other three occupants were asleep, so eager was he to make his investigations. But at last the snores of Cranston and the steward and the steady breathing of President Wade satisfied him that the way was clear.

Quietly he slipped from his berth. He had not undressed, except to remove his boots and coat, and in two minutes he had the envelope in his hands. He slipped noiselessly down the aisle to the steward's kitchen, switched on a light and examined the prize leisurely. He felt it carefully, hefted it in one hand, then, with the aid of a thin-bladed paring knife he succeeded in loosening a corner of the flap sufficiently to allow of a peek at the contents without disturbing the seals.

His involuntary exclamation of satisfaction when he verified the contents as a package of greenbacks was drowned fortunately in the hum of the train. It was the missing campaign fund contribution beyond a doubt.

Back down the dimly lighted aisle with its swaying green curtains, past the sleepers he slipped noiselessly to the writing desk where he carefully regummed the corner of the flap, leaving no trace of his inspection. Then he sank into a leather chair and lit a cigarette with a cheerful grin on his face.

(To be continued.)

Out of Her Poverty.

It was a cold, dark evening, and the city lights only intensified by their sharp contrast the gloom of the storm. It was the time when wealthy shoppers were eating hot dinners, and when the shop-girls were plodding home, many too poor to ride through the long day's standing and work.

One girl was hurrying home through the slush, after a hard day's work. She was a delicate girl, poorly dressed, and wholly unable to keep out the winter's cold, with a thin flat cloak. She was evidently very timid and self-absorbed.

A blind man was sitting in an alley by the pavement, silently offering pencils for sale to the heedless crowd. The wind and sleet beat upon him. He had no overcoat. His thin hands clasped with purple fingers the wet, sleet-covered pencils. He looked as if the cold had congealed him.

The girl passed the man, as did the rest of the hurrying crowd. When she had walked half a block away she fumbled in her pocket, and turned and walked back.

For a moment she looked intently at the vendor of pencils, and when she saw that he gave no sign, she quietly dropped a ten-cent piece into his fingers, and walked on.

But she was evidently troubled, for her steps grew slower.

Then she stopped, turned, and walked rapidly back to the dark alley, and the man half hiding in it. Bending over him, she said softly, "Are you really blind?"

The man lifted his head and showed her his slight eyes. Then with an indescribable gesture he pointed to his breast. There hung the dull badge of the Grand Army of the Republic.

"I beg your pardon, sir," she said humbly. "Please give me back my ten cents."

"Yes, ma'am," he answered, and held out the coin.

She took out her purse. It was a very thin one. It contained but two dollars, one-third of her week's hard earnings—all she had. She put one dollar of it into his hand saying, "Take this instead and go home now; you ought not to sit here in this bitter wind."

Would You—?

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Would you be healed? Speak health to the world.

Would you be loved? Speak love to the world.

Would you be successful? Speak success to the world.

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Fear nothing but doubt, hate nothing but idleness, dislike no one but the business man who expects to sell but won't buy.

HOME BEAUTIFUL

By DOROTHY ETHEL WALSH.
Artificial Flowers Are Applied to a Plaque and form a wall decoration.

Flower pictures are much in vogue, and decorated plaques are taking their places also as wall decorations. A clever woman I know, however, solved the problem of an overmantel decoration in a most original manner. The plaques on sale in the shops she found a little more expensive than she could afford, and yet they were so lovely that she hated to give up the idea.

The style that mostly intrigued her was that with an urn in bas relief with the artificially prepared flowers emerging from it and the entire thing placed against an oval black wooden plaque framed in red Jaquer. The artificial flowers were within the limit of her purse, so she purchased a most delectably colored bunch, and on the same shopping tour she secured a sheet of black cardboard and some white.

When at home she secured an illustration of an urn of pleasing lines and traced it onto the white cardboard. She then clipped the stems of the flowers as close as possible and glued them (the stems) as flat as she could onto the black cardboard. She then cut out the white cardboard urn and glued it in turn on to the black and over the stems of the flowers easing it a little at that point.

A black wooden frame was the next step and to make it complete a narrow blue band was placed on the frame. The result you can see in the picture. I think the woman is justified in feeling proud.

About the House

A Winter Evening.

Soft hands of white across a sunny sky—
And then the low-toned twilight creeping on,
A neighboring roof deep etched with burdening snow;
Hill, field, and tree beyond,
Blending in one wide, gentle blur of gray;
Brown shrubs and withered grasses wave aloft
Their invitation to a passing feathered guest,
While here and there, and here again
Faint wisps of smoke curl upward,
Telling once more the tale of little homes,
Whither the toil-worn hasten, to sit them down and rest.

So I will spread a table here beside our hearth;
A joyful feast, for love broods over it,
Lending the snow-white lustre of his wings,
And now all things made ready, I will wait,
And listen for the voice I know so well. —Louise M. Gridley.

Curtain Fabrics That Launder Well.

Breathes there a woman with fingers pricked from the annual martyrdom of curtain stretching who has not vowed, year after year, to emancipate herself forever from the thralldom of drapery materials which refuse to hang to the queen's taste unless they emerge, straight and crisp, from curtain stretchers?

Textile manufacturers, quick to sense the requirements of the modern housekeeper, have placed on the market fascinating fabrics in various weaves which wash and iron as easily and successfully as handkerchief linen. These materials range, in design and texture, from the coarse file nets, so frequently employed by interior decorators, to the sheers of fine lace suitable for close-fitting glass curtains. By careful shopping and wise selection the woman who must economize in time and energy can, therefore, easily eliminate curtain materials which must be stretched without detracting from either the beauty or suitability of her drapery fabrics. While it is possible to purchase ready-made curtains that will iron satisfactorily, there is a decided advantage in buying goods by the yard, since the choice of materials is infinitely greater.

Among the materials one may always be sure of are voile, marquisette, art muslin, English casement cloth, printed linen, fine Swiss, silk gauze, Georgette crepe and the various special weaves made for the purpose by manufacturers who bestow upon them their own trade-marked names.

It is quite impossible to iron the round-mesh nets that are so luring in the shops. While they stretch beautifully, they wriggle away from an iron most distractingly. Even some of the square mesh nets, which look perfectly innocent, have the same bad habit and should only be allowed to enter the family after a sample has been taken on probation. Although scrim and madras usually iron satisfactorily, occasionally one finds pieces that are disappointing. These exceptions to the rule, however, should not be allowed to give the respectable members of these well known families a bad name or prejudice the buyer against these desirable materials.

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"Would it make you happy?" inquired Jenny.

"Ay, that it would; but such folks as I can't go to the playhouse, and so I shall never hear her."

"Don't be so sure of that," said Jenny. "Sit down, my friend, and listen."

She then sang, with genuine glee, one of her best songs. The old woman was wild with delight and wonder, when she added: "Now you have heard Jenny Lind."

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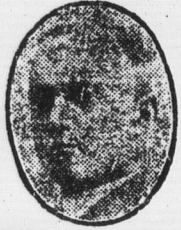
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Farm Crop Queries

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The object of this department is to place at the service of our farm readers the advice of an acknowledged authority on all subjects pertaining to soils and crops. Address all questions to Professor Henry G. Bell, in care of The Wilson Publishing Co., Limited, Toronto, and answers will appear in this column in the order in which they are received. When writing kindly mention this paper. As space is limited it is advisable where immediate reply is necessary that a stamped and addressed envelope be enclosed with the question, when the answer will be mailed direct.

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A. D. F.: What is the value of corn cobs on soil, and which is the best soil to put them on? They are partly rotted.

Answer: Corn cobs as plant food are not of very great value, since they carry in a thousand pounds only 3.2 lbs. of nitrogen, 7 lbs. phosphoric acid and 6.6 lbs. potash. You can readily see that they do not contribute any great amount of manure to the soil. However, the effect on physical condition of sandy soils in working in decayed corn cobs is of considerable importance.

You would do well to work the corn cobs into a heavy clay soil if you have a choice of types, since the decaying cobs would loosen the soil and greatly benefit the aeration. If the soil is sandy the addition of cobs in the fall or winter would be of value, since the rotting cobs combined together loosen sand.

A. J. S.: Do you think a good stand of alfalfa on a good field of twelve acres will produce as much milk as twelve acres of good corn, put in the silo? I am having good luck raising alfalfa, and am inclined to believe I can do away with the corn entirely for the alfalfa crop, and it is much easier to raise.

Answer: It is difficult to compare corn silage with alfalfa, since alfalfa contains more protein than corn and is especially valuable as a dairy feed from this standpoint, whereas on the other hand, corn contains more carbohydrates. However, since you have asked for a definite comparison, the following figures may be of some guide: Figuring your alfalfa yield at three tons to the acre and your corn yield at ten tons to the acre the comparative contents of feeding material stand as follows:

Alfalfa, 36 tons: Dry matter 65,808, crude protein 7,622, carbohydrates (starches, sugars, etc.) 28,080, fat 648.
Corn, 120 tons: Dry matter 63,120, crude protein 2,640, carbohydrates (starches, sugars, etc.) 36,000, fat 1,880.

R. W.: I wish to sow about six acres of sweet clover for pasture next year. Is it near enough like alfalfa so that I can follow the same methods I have with alfalfa, viz.: Fall plow, work well into June and seed? This field is rough and of a light clay order. I expect to draw marl and cover at

Mr. Muskrat—A Good Pelt, and Easily Taken.

I well remember the time I caught my first muskrat. In fact, it was the first real fur-bearer I had ever taken. As I looked at the sleek pelt, speculating on its value (I probably received 15 or 20 cents instead of \$3, which it would have brought two years ago), I had visions of great wealth to be made on the trap line. Of course, I never did sell quite as many furs as I expected, and so far great wealth has eluded me, but nothing ever gave me quite the thrill that the first muskrat did.

Muskrats are not hard to take. You can succeed, ordinarily, by placing your traps at the foot of slides or in the entrances of dens and houses. When the water is too deep, it is a good plan to build bases for sets of sod or stones. It is easy to scoop out excavations should the spots for sets be too shallow. Stake in deep water whenever it is possible. Better results can be had by having traps covered by two or three inches of water, for the animals are then caught by their longer and stronger hind legs, rather than by the shorter and weaker front ones. Fewer muskrats escape when this precaution is taken.

Most muskrats are trapped during the fall, when they move about freely. Their fur is best during late winter and early spring. Shot and speared sets do not command top values. If possible, get the game with traps. Bait is not used to any great extent for this fur-bearer. When it is necessary to do so, remember that vegetables are the only attractors, outside of the patent scents, that get results. Parsnips are very effective because of the odor. However, potatoes, carrots, beets, and anything similar will serve. Just place your traps in shallow water, and put the decoys near, in such a way that the muskrats cannot investigate without being caught.

Most trappers pull up traps as soon as the ice gets strong enough to hold the animals. When the weather is not too cold, one can add many pellets to his collection by putting three or four pounds of coarse salt, in a cloth, under each set. This prevents freezing.

Many other methods will suggest themselves to you when on the line. They can be worked out with a little practice. All small muskrat trapping

Advice for Gardeners.

The Dominion Horticulturist at Ottawa, in his last annual report, gives some valuable advice relative to gardening that might and should be well digested during the coming months and in preparation for next spring. He deprecates leaving the ordering of plants and seeds until shortly before they are needed, as then there is no time to test the germinating power of the seed, and because the early planting of most varieties is advisable if the best results are to be obtained. When planning what is to be ordered, lists of the best fruits, flowers, and vegetables should be referred to, and the lists contained in the report will be of much value in this connection. There is considerable difference in the strains of the same varieties of vegetables and flowers, and while the best may be a trifle more expensive, their selection will, as a rule, pay abundantly in the superiority of the crop. Good strains count much in tomatoes, cauliflowers and onions for instance, among vegetables; and among garden flowers the modern varieties are usually vastly superior. Another thing to be careful of is to make sure that exactly what is ordered is received. For this purpose it is as well to mark the order "no substitution." When ordering trees and plants, ask for their delivery by the earliest date which you are likely to be able to plant. If the ground is not ready, they will keep safely in a cool cellar for a day or two. This applies particularly to roses; but all trees and shrubs except evergreens suffer if planted late in the spring. Also avoid the rush, as small orders are liable to be shelved until large orders are filled.

Worry fills more graves than want.

The birds are your feathered friends; do you know why?

In scouring knives use a cork instead of a cloth. The next knives you buy, get the so-called stainless steel.

The man who would succeed at farming must be a fighter from start to finish.

Getting Hens to Lay in Winter.

If hens are to lay in winter they must be sheltered from intense cold and severe blasts. This must not mean that they are to be coddled in warmth, but simply housed in cheaply constructed frame buildings with glass and cotton fronts for ventilation and light. They need to be well fed. The Dominion Experimental Farm expert advises that rations should be composed of whole grain, crushed grain, some succulent feed, some meat feed, and a plentiful supply of grit and oyster shell. Don't feed all grain, but be sure to include such feeds as mash, meat scrap, sharp grit, oyster shell, charcoal, and plenty of green food. This expert gives the following as a useful guide in providing winter rations, as it contains close to the recognized proportions of protein and carbohydrates: scratch grain—300 lbs. wheat, 150 lbs. oats, 150 lbs. barley; dry mash (for feeding through a hopper)—100 lbs. bran, 100 lbs. oat chop, 50 lbs. barley chop, 50 lbs. shorts, 15 per cent. beef scrap, and 9 ounces salt. If skim-milk is available, the proportion of beef scrap may be reduced. If the hens become too fat, limit the time to a few hours that they have access to the self-feeder. Sprouted oats provide a desirable green feed in the winter. The Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, issues a number of publications on poultry-keeping free to all applicants.

Growing Timber on the Farm.

Timber is essentially a poor-land crop. Steep slopes, poor soil, rocky land, unusual corners, gullied and wooded tracts—all these afford opportunities for growing timber profitably. A careful survey of the average farm will reveal a surprising number of spots of this sort which can be utilized to advantage. If they do not already have trees, planting them with the proper varieties will materially increase the value of the land.

There may be a greater thing in the world than loyalty, but just now we don't know what it is.

In the Forest City

Western Ontario Women's Institutes in Convention

By GIBSON SCOTT.

"There's something in it—there certainly is," ruminated a shrewd observer watching the gathering from the gallery.

"In what?" queried his companion a trifle impatiently. It was getting near dinner time.

"Why, in the theory that land which grows fine crops in the fields grows a crop of particularly fine people, too," said the other. "Just look at those girls and women assembling now. Aren't they the embodiment of pep and go and vigor of mind and body? I'll wager they will make things count for progress wherever they go—or come."

"You are probably right. I know they are rattling good cooks anyway about here. You see I married one. My wife's a member."

The little aside caused a nearby woman to smile. Men view the Women's Institutes from many angles, but agree in their praise.

Western Ontario, fruitful land of plenty, believes in itself, is proud of what it has accomplished, but is not self-satisfied. This one would gather from a survey of the program of the Seventh Annual Convention of the Women's Institutes of that area of our great province (and the fourth in the series of five autumn conventions being held this year) held in the beautiful Masonic Temple, London, in November.

"Make a survey of what we have done? Yes, by all means. The joy of good work accomplished strengthens the hand and makes wise the heart, but standing on the firm ground of solid achievement, let us study together efficiency in the branch, the district, closer co-operation with our University, our Agricultural College, our Government Departments of Health, Education, and above all, Agriculture, in which is our Governmental home, the Institutes Branch, presided over by that loved and veteran administrator, Superintendent G. A. Putnam, under whose guidance we have achieved world renown."

Such might be the summing up of the attitude of the four hundred or more delegates at London, from the opening address of the presiding and self-effacing chief officer, Mrs. George Edwards of Komoka, Chairman of the Convention Committee to the closing one of Miss Grant, Clerk of London Township, on Hydro Electric Power for the farm homes, and the Dominion President, Mrs. Todd of Orillia.

Girls and their interests had first place. Lucille have organized a girls' athletic society for tennis, basket ball, and gymnastic work. At the close of a Government demonstration lecture course, the girls at both Ailsa Craig and Paisley organized Junior Institutes and, in addition to their own program, are co-operating with the Senior Institute and the Junior Farmers. Delaware put on its demonstration course in the summer holidays so the high school girls could also take advantage of the training in home nursing.

The educational side came in for much attention. The local school is a matter of warm interest to the ladies. Chatham and Thames River

each presented their schools with gramophones as being one of the best ways in which to help the children to an appreciation of good music. Some West Kent branches distribute seeds to the children in the spring and hold a flower show in the autumn, so developing a sense of beauty in home surroundings. Mapleton, Kingsmill, and a number of others are working for medical inspection and providing hot lunches for the school in winter. As Middlesex Institutes are the pioneers in medical inspection for rural Ontario, naturally this is a very live subject, that county at present demanding no less than four school nurses.

Many places have a woman on the school board or are actively co-operating with the trustees for school betterment, through the Home and School committees of the Institute.

This interest in education for the grown-ups was supplemented by an almost equally keen desire for extension education for the grown-ups. Much regret was expressed at learning that there was on file 200 applications from Institutes for the Demonstration Short Courses, which had to wait owing to lack of funds at the Institutes Branch. A resolution of appreciation was sent to the Minister of Agriculture for the services being rendered through this Branch of Government, coupled with the request for its maintenance and extension, particularly in its educational work.

Miss McNally of Macdonald Institute, Guelph, spoke on practical demonstrations which could be given by the members. There is a Packet Loan Library in connection with Macdonald Institute and Massey Library at the O.A.C., Guelph, which has been and is of great value to members of Institutes getting up papers and wanting reliable material. Such material can be borrowed for two weeks on condition that it is then returned for use elsewhere to the college.

Very keen interest indeed was exhibited in the Extension work for country communities being offered this year by their own Western University at London, as explained by Col. Brown, Director of the Extension Department. This University is arranging correspondence courses and reading circles and the matter aroused so much interest and questioning that circulars giving detailed information will be sent out to Western Ontario Institutes this year.

The efficiency of the Institute itself came in for much attention. "How to conduct a meeting in a correct and Parliamentary way," by Miss Yates of London, was followed by a demonstration of a model meeting put on by Mrs. Sutherland Ross of Embro, formerly assistant superintendent of Institutes, assisted by Miss Verner, secretary of Hyde Park Branch, and presidents and members of various Western Ontario Institutes. This feature was greatly appreciated.

A program-planning conference led by Miss Guest of Toronto brought out the following outline for this phase of branch work:

1. Study the needs of the branches. Are the members girls or women or

The Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 11

Paul Writes to a Friend, Philemon 8-21. Golden Text—Matt. 20: 27 (Rev. Ver.)

Lesson Setting—The Epistle of Philemon was written by Paul from Rome, during his first imprisonment, probably about A.D. 62. It was addressed to Philemon, a resident at Colossae, an ancient city of Asia Minor in the Roman Province of Asia, where there was a church, to which Paul sent the letter, Epistle to the Solossians at the same time as the Epistle to Philemon. Along with Philemon are mentioned, in the address of the letter, Apphia, and Archippus, probably his son and his wife respectively. The letter to Philemon was written on behalf of his slave, Onesimus, whom Paul somehow had met and won to the Christian faith, and who now, at the apostle's bidding, was returning to the Master whom he had wronged by embezzlement and theft. "The letter," says Dr. David Smith, "has a peculiar interest as the only surviving specimen of the apostle's private correspondence; and it well deserves a place in the sacred canon." Rensus estimate of it as "a little masterpiece" is fully justified by its earnestness, tact and charm. It comes from the heart and pen of a perfect Christian gentleman.

I. The Prisoner, 8, 9.
V. 8. "After honest and affectionate praise of Philemon (vs. 1-7), the apostle now approaches the main topic of his letter." Wherefore; because of the good which Paul has heard about Philemon; he must live up to his reputation. All boldness in Christ (Rev. Ver.). Paul is careful not to claim any authority for himself. The only authority he possesses, comes from Christ. To enjoy that, "to command thee," as one occupying an official position, might issue orders to those under him. That which is convenient, The Greek translated "convenient" means primarily "having arrived at" or "reached." It then comes to mean "fulfilling a moral obligation."

V. 9. Yet for love's sake; Paul's love to Philemon and Philemon's to Paul, and, beyond that, the love that links all Christian souls to one another and binds them all to Christ. This is the principle that should rule the Christian in all his dealings. . . . beseech thee. This is the language of love. It entreats, and does not command. Being such an one; that is, one who beseeches. Paul the aged; Rev. Ver. Margin, "an ambassador." If this is the meaning, Paul would appear as one with the right to command in the name of Christ; his exhortation would, therefore, have greater weight with Philemon. Also And before you answer that question, will you remember my age, and what I am bearing for the Master? (MacLaren).

II. The Plea, 10-16.
Vs. 10, 11. My son (Rev. Ver. "child") Onesimus. Paul seeks to disown Philemon's anger at the slave, who had wronged him, by tenderly describing Onesimus as his own child, Whom I have begotten; won to the Christian faith. The Jewish Talmud says: "If one teaches the son of his neighbor the Law, the Scripture reckons this the same as if he had begotten him." Unprofitable . . . profitable; a play on the meaning of Onesimus, "Helpful" or "Profitable."—I beseech thee for Profitable, who was a former unprofitable, but now is profitable.

Vs. 12-14. Whom I have sent again. It was not Paul's business to interfere between master and slave. It is clear that Onesimus was himself the bearer of the letter to Philemon. Mine own bowels; Rev. Ver., "my very heart." Paul identifies himself with Onesimus. Be kind to him, as you would be kind to me, he says, and when masters become truly kind in their hearts to their slaves, the root of slavery is cut. Would fain have kept, etc. (Rev. Ver.). Paul had worked for Onesimus to do, and Philemon ought to have been glad to have him do it.

both? Are they from village or farm or both?

2. Find out what the members want, taking suggestions for a study of the home itself under the heads: house-planning and building, furnishing, cleaning, food, clothing, finance, labor-saving, division of work, health, the garden, poultry, dairy.

3. The family: study of the children of pre-school age, of the public school age, teen age needs, the mother, the father, music, reading, friends, entertaining, choosing a vocation in life.

4. The community: the school, social life, recreation, games, the community hall and its wise use.

5. Service available from college and Government Department.

The program should be seasonable, balanced between the purely practical and the mental and social, should draw out as much local talent as possible, interest both girls and women, and consider community welfare.

A splendid demonstration of labor-saving household equipment was given by Mrs. Greer, Departmental lecturer, between the sessions, which kept many late for supper, so interested were they.

One of the best things of a crowded program was making a survey of the Institute District by the Board of Directors, given by Mrs. J. McLennan, Sarnia, under the readings:

1. To ascertain the number, membership, condition of existing branches, and possible new centres for

Both master and slave were bound to serve Paul. Without thy mind, etc. Paul shows the utmost respect for the freedom of the individual, and realizes that forced service is contrary to the genius of Christianity.

Vs. 15, 16. Perhaps he was . . . departed. Paul uses a mild word to describe the conduct of Onesimus. He does not say, as he might truthfully have said "ran away." Shouldst receive him for ever. As a slave, Philemon could possess Onesimus only "for a season," as a Christian brother his relation with him would be eternal. Not . . . a servant (Rev. Ver.), a bond servant" but . . . a brother-beloved. In the eyes of the world he would still be a slave, but his relations to his master would be changed. "In the flesh," as it has been said, "Philemon has the brother for his slave; in the Lord, Philemon has the slave for his brother." Specially to me. Onesimus had become very dear to Paul. Much more unto thee; because he is your property. There is a hint that the property relation involves more than mere ownership and receiving of service. Ownership should be a basis for Christian fraternity and its mutual ministries. In the flesh, and in the Lord. All human relationships are sanctified through union in Christ.

III. The Pledge, 17-21.

Vs. 17-19. Countest me . . . a partner (Rev. Ver.); a comrade, a sharer in Christian blessings. All claim to apostolic authority is laid aside, and Paul places himself besides Philemon as a brother. As myself. All that you would do for me, do that for him. If he had wronged thee; as Paul well knew he had, but again, as in v. 15, mild language is used. Owest thee ought. The blunt word "stolen" is avoided. Put that on mine account; a half playful assumption of lawyer-like phraseology (MacLaren). Paul had no idea that Philemon would charge anything to him, and probably could not have paid it, had it been so charged. I Paul. The use of his own name carries the weight of a binding signature. Mine own hand; so that he would be wholly responsible. I will repay it. In like manner Christ takes upon Himself all our debt. Thou owest unto me. Philemon's debt to Paul was infinitely greater than Paul's to Philemon.

Vs. 20, 21. Yea, brother; an affectionate appeal. Let me have joy. "May I have profit of thee," one might translate. The Greek word for "joy" is a play on the name of Onesimus (see on v. 11). Refresh my heart. (Rev. Ver.). This points back to v. 7. What Onesimus has done for others he will surely do for Paul. In the Lord. Both are his disciples and servants; therefore one should be willing to show any possible kindness to the other. Confidence in thy obedience; obedience not to any imperious command, but to a loving exhortation. It is when we trust others that they will do most for us. More than I say. It may well be that Paul had no mind that Philemon would set Onesimus free from slavery, though he says no word against slavery. But he has been laying down principles that make slavery impossible. If one is a brother he can no longer be a slave. So, to take another example the teaching of Christianity has done much to make the prohibition of the liquor traffic inevitable.

Application.
The epistle of Philemon reveals in a clear light the characteristic attitude of Christianity to social questions. Although St. Paul requests his friend to take back this slave and treat him as a Christian brother, he has no single word to say in condemnation of slavery as an institution. Why did he not condemn this slavery business? Because the time was not ripe. So deeply rooted was the institution of slavery in the life of the people that any words of condemnation would mean nothing. But St. Paul labored to establish a principle and the practice of brotherhood which grew and grew until it sloughed off slavery as a horrid thing, sloughed off through legislation inspired by love. All honor to Wilberforce and others who strove to hasten the day of the Lord!

organization.

2. To discover valuable lines of work and study for the home and neighborhood.

3. Methods of discovering, developing, and using local talent.

4. Co-operation with the schools.

5. Giving help and inspiration to the branches.

Miss Chapman has always captured the hearts of her hearers with her sympathetic and suggestive talk on "Home Building."

Health was a matter of pulsing interest. Drs. Hill, Director of Public Health Institute, London, and McNally, of the Department of Public Health, being pilled with questions after their very able addresses. A resolution was passed asking that applicants for marriage licenses produce a certificate of health.

A charming talk on music for country homes was given by one of the Western Ontario's favorite musicians, Prof. A. D. Jordan, followed by a bright series of sketches with readings from Miss Topley-Thomas on Western Ontario artists and authors.

A most pleasing feature of this convention is the cordial co-operation between city and country, the city tendering the delegates annually a civic banquet at which the mayor, members of the legislature, Women's Canadian Club, and business men vie with each other in welcoming the visitors, and city musicians join with those of the country in enlivening the proceedings.

OUR MR. ARNOLD

Mr. John Halton, representing Bramshaw & Lane, Limited, of London, found two letters waiting for him in the commercial-room of the George Hotel, Midstone.

One was from his firm and the other from his wife. He opened the latter first, and learned that the baby had cut her first tooth, and that the bright little woman in the Brixton flat hoped that business was good.

The letter from his firm acknowledged two cheques and a small order, and there was a postscript in the handwriting of the managing director.

"We trust you will endeavor to open an account with Norris Brothers. This firm are the largest buyers in Midstone, but we have not done business with them for years. On your last journey you reported that you called twice and were unable to see their buyer, Mr. Arnold. We trust you will be more fortunate this time. The man we need is a man who can open new accounts."

There was a troubled expression upon Halton's freckled, good-humored face as he placed the letter in his pocket. He looked at his watch. It was half-past five, late to make a call and he had a very tiring day; but, leaving his bag in the commercial-room, he picked up the small leather case containing his catalogues and price lists, and set off for Norris', the big wholesale and retail ironmongers in Bridge Street.

It was Thursday evening, and it had been a rotten week. One of those weeks when everything goes wrong—big orders just gone to a rival; men away on a holiday; gone to London for the day.

"Been in and went out a moment ago!"

A veteran might have accepted the situation philosophically, but John Halton was not a veteran. He had only been "on the road" three months; he was still on his trial.

And his old job in the London warehouse had been filled. It was a disconcerting thought that if he ceased to represent Messrs. Bramshaw & Lane in the Southern Counties he would cease to be in the employ of the firm with whom he had started as an office-boy nearly twenty years ago.

And he had not asked for the job; it had been thrust upon him. He had done a little travelling in the suburbs, and then had been chosen to succeed a rather crotchety old man, who had kept his vow to die in harness, but had kept together barely half his connection.

Halton had hated leaving his wife and child from Monday morning until Friday night, and had discovered that a traveller's life is not a bed of roses, though until this last week he had thought he was doing fairly well on his job.

Now, coming on top of an almost blank week, the managing-director's postscript disturbed him. There seemed an ominous note in it—a hint that he was not rising to expectation.

He passed Messrs. Norris Brothers' big shop in Bridge Street, and turned down a little side street to the warehouse and office entrance.

An office-boy left his task of copying letters to take his card into an inner office, and a clerk returned with it.

"You want to see Mr. Arnold?" he said. "But he's just left for the day."

"Would you mind placing my card on his desk, and telling him I'll call in the morning?" said Halton.

"Oh, very well!" replied the clerk listlessly; and Halton returned to the hotel.

He had not much expected to see the buyer at such a late hour; but, at all events, he would report to his firm that he had tried; and that was all he could report that day—a day of trying without result.

And after his tea he wrote a letter to his firm, and went out to post it. It started to rain, and anyway he felt too tired to go for his usual walk; so he went back to the George Hotel, politely refusing to make up a four at solo, and, with a couple of hours before he could very well go to bed, he entered the billiard-room.

Two men were playing, and a man sat on a settee watching them. One of the players he recognized as the landlord of the hotel. The other player, who had just made a break of thirty as he entered, was a rather portly little man, with a short grey beard and a somewhat aggressive manner. But he could certainly play billiards, and just after Halton entered he brought off a fine losing hazard and ran out an easy winner.

The landlord excused himself playing again, as the man who had been watching wanted to see him on business, and the two men went out, leaving the victorious player and Halton alone.

"Care for a game?" asked the victor carelessly. "I'll give you what points you like."

When John Halton had married he had practically ceased to play billiards. When he had gone "on the road" he had decided never to play, nor on account of the expense—his games would cost him little—but for fear that it would lead to late hours and an unfitness for work in the morning. This man, however, was far above the average player, an opponent after his own heart, and a game would take him out of the gloomy chain of thought into which he had fallen.

"I'll play you with pleasure, sir. I should say we are pretty evenly matched."

The bearded man's eyes

brows lifted slightly. "I don't often play in this hotel, but when I do I expect to give points. However, if you can do without them so much the better."

As Halton selected a cue from the rack he decided that this man must be the crack player of the town, who rather resented anyone claiming to be able to meet him on level terms. Even out of practice as he was, Halton felt sure that, with anything like luck, he would be able to more than hold his own.

They made it a couple of hundred up. For the first hundred the bearded man, who had evidently took the game very seriously, and scarcely spoke a word, scored nearly twice as fast as he did. Then Halton made a faultless break of forty-six and drew level.

Two men had dropped in just before he completed it and they were loud in their applause. The bearded man was looking grim.

"You play a very good game, sir," he said. "You've got your eye in now, and I shall be a proud man if I succeed in beating you."

Halton had got his eye in, and the balls were running well for him. He had made twenty-two, and had the red over the top pocket. As he leaned over the table to take the shot, he heard one of the men ask his companion if he knew who the players were.

"Don't know the big-break merchant," came the half-whispered reply, "but he was in the commercial-room for tea. The bearded chap is the buyer for Norris, the big ironmongers here. Man in the paint trade pointed him out to me last time I was here. They say he's a good player, but a poor loser."

And Halton miscued, and left the balls beautifully for his opponent.

"Hard luck, sir!" said the talkative traveller sympathetically.

And it was hard luck. John Halton had been delighted over that forty-six break. It would have been fine to tell the missus when he got home how he had beaten a cocky little chap, and got to within twenty of his record break, despite playing on a strange table and being out of practice. He had set his heart on winning the game.

But if he won he would certainly not open an account with Mr. Arnold, the buyer for Norris Brothers, when he called upon him the next morning.

The billiard-room was filling up. News of a great game in progress had been conveyed by the waiter who had brought drinks for the two spectators. The bearded man scored twenty-five off the fine opening he had given him.

And John Halton went to the table to play to lose.

He hated it—hated it not only because he was so keen on winning, but on the principle of the thing. A game was a game, play it; but, also business was business. At the back of his mind was the little flat in Brixton, a woman and a tiny mortal who had just cut her first tooth; they depended upon him.

His business was to open new accounts. The fact of having played billiards with the elusive Mr. Arnold should be of value when he called to see him in the morning. To "open" with Norris Brothers would wipe out the stigma of an almost blank week.

Halton made a pretty fifteen. His breakdown on a fine round-the-table cannon elected murmurs of sympathy. It would never do to go all to pieces suddenly.

The bearded man was fretting and fuming. He had told the landlord before that the spot ball was not running true. Would that gentleman with the cigar get a little farther away from the table? Smoke made it so difficult for him to see.

Halton cleverly missed two good opportunities, and placed the balls each time for his opponent; then, with twenty wanted to win, he scored eighteen, and could almost see Mr. Arnold's hair standing on end.

He wanted Mr. Arnold to remember him in the morning.

"One hundred and ninety-two—one hundred and ninety-eight," called the marker, who had appeared upon the scene.

Halton had left the balls in such a position that he was confident his opponent would easily run out. But the bearded man was obviously nervous. The room was tense with excitement. He went in with the red, brought the red down over the middle pocket, and went in again. He wanted two for game, and had an easy cannon on.

But he missed it.

"One hundred and ninety-eight all," came the voice of the marker.

"Confound the man!" thought Halton. He was making things difficult for him. The balls were rather awkwardly placed; so Halton, anxious not to score, but at least to have the satisfaction of letting the bearded man see that he knew as much about the game as he did, played for a brilliant round-the-table cannon.

He played to miss by three or four inches, but miscalculated the amount of side necessary.

"Game!" called the marker as the balls clicked; and, amid great applause, the bearded man put on his coat and paid the marker.

"Thank you, sir!" he said shortly to Halton. "A very good game indeed. I regret I cannot ask you to let me have my revenge, as I must be getting off."

And Halton, forcing a smile in reply to the congratulations of excited spectators, refused to play again, put on his light coat and, filled with dismay, went for a short walk ere he went to bed.

And about ten o'clock the next morning he presented himself at the

—and the worst is yet to come



office of Messrs. Norris Brothers, hoping devoutly that Mr. Arnold would prove a better sportsman than his manner the previous night had suggested.

A clerk took in his card. "Come this way, please. Mr. Norris will see you," he said.

And John Halton, greatly puzzled, followed him along a corridor. He had asked to see Mr. Arnold. Why was he being taken to a man who was presumably one of the partners?

The clerk opened a door, and John Halton, hat in one hand and brown leather case in the other, found himself face to face with the man with whom he had played billiards at the George.

"Good-morning, Mr. Halton!" said the bearded man quite genially. "You asked for our Mr. Arnold; but I learnt your identity from the landlord before I left the hotel last night, and I resolved to remove the name of your firm from our black list."

"Black list, sir!" gasped the bewildered Halton.

"There are certain travellers who have annoyed me—men who won't take 'No' for an answer—men like your firm's last representative, a self-opinioned old ass, sir. I never see those men again. They are told that Mr. Arnold is the buyer, and they call to see him, but never succeed for the simple reason that there is no such person in our employ."

John Halton gazed at him blankly. "You must keep this secret, Mr. Halton. I have told it to you because I have respect for you. I respect any man who can beat me level at billiards. I feel that — But we must get to business. I think I can make you up a decent order. And next time you're coming to Midstone, drop me a line a week or so ahead, and I'll keep the date free in order to try and get my revenge."

Half an hour later John Halton departed with an order that more than made up for the poor week he had had; and he had "opened" with Norris Brothers, and was on very good terms with the senior partner, who had promised to put all he could in his way.

And it was a very happy, confident man who set off back to the little flat in Brixton.

Testing the Age of Eggs.

Fill a tumbler two-thirds full of water and then place in it a newly-laid egg and it will sink to the bottom of the glass. The egg is composed largely of water, and therefore is heavier while it is fresh. The older the egg, the lighter it becomes on account of the water evaporating from the white of the egg, which causes the empty space at the thick end of the egg to become enlarged. Hence, at three weeks of age the egg will lean in the water. When three months old it will stand perfectly straight, with pointed end of the egg barely touching the bottom of the glass. The larger the empty space becomes the more the egg will rise in the water, until finally it reaches the surface.

He Wanted Variety.

Not long ago there occurred a big fire in a Massachusetts town, and the crowds that gathered were soon reformed by others from near-by places.

While running to this fire one man overtook another in the road who was proceeding in the same direction.

"Where's the fire?" asked the last-mentioned man, out of breath. "Don't tell me it's the carpet factory! I've seen that twice already."

Motor traffic that kill and a gun that "I didn't know was loaded" are in the same category. It is time that the motorist awoke to the fact that he is driving a deadly weapon and that every time he ignores traffic regulations he is pointing a loaded gun at a fellow mortal's head.

PRINCESS' CHOICE PLEASES ENGLAND

KING'S ONLY DAUGHTER TO WED VISCOUNT.

Interest is Renewed in the Marriages of the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York and Prince Henry.

The betrothal of Princess Mary has been joyously received all over England, largely because she is marrying an Englishman, says a London despatch. The action has had the effect of reassuring the mind of the British people on a subject about which much has been spoken and little written—the forthcoming marriages of her brothers, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York and Prince Henry. It has been obvious that the war had completely altered the situation regarding eligible royal alliances for the Princes of the blood, and it is now likely and certainly highly desired that they will go back to the old tradition of the English throne before the royal marriage act was passed.

There was a stringent restriction in the Stuart times, but previously there had been many instances of marriages outside reigning families. Many Plantagenets married outside royal strains, and three daughters of Edward I, who had a high sense of royal dignity, married knights, two of whom were English earls holding titles no higher than that Princess Mary's future husband will bear.

Question of Royal Marriage.

The eldest daughter of Edward III, married a French knight who was created Earl of Bedford. Under the Stuarts, royal blood marriages were strictly insisted upon, though James, Duke of York, married Ann Hyde, but it was kept a secret. With the Georges the passion for restricting marriages to royal families reached its height.

George III, and his consort Anne were both fanatics on this subject, and were greatly angered when two of the King's brothers married commoners. A sequel to this was the royal marriage act, which tightened the restrictions, which still prevail.

Owing to the necessity of excluding Roman Catholic princesses the royal field since the war is very barren. It is certain that public opinion would never tolerate the marriage of any Prince with a German, and the number of marriageable princesses in Holland, Denmark, Sweden and Norway is remarkably small. The imperial family of Russia has utterly disappeared and the Greek princesses would not be popular here now. The remaining royal families, those of Spain, Italy and Belgium, are Roman Catholics.

In these conditions it is inevitable that some at least of the King's sons must marry outside royal circles, and there is no doubt that the people would cordially welcome such a selection. It is no secret that the Prince of Wales prefers to take an English girl, and undoubtedly the people would acclaim the selection with such enthusiasm that the House of Lords would set aside the marriage act. It is accepted here as almost certain that the old superstitions about the blood royal must give way to modern ideas, and the betrothal of Princess Mary is regarded as the first step in this direction.

Smuts Was Snubbed.

General Smuts told an amusing story a short time ago.

"I was at a social gathering with General Botha," he said. "Two flappers came up and asked me for my autograph. In a daintily bound book I signed my name with the proffered pencil. The girl studied my signature with a frown. 'Aren't you General Botha?' she asked. 'No,' I replied, 'I'm General Smuts.' She turned to her friend with a shrug. 'Lend me your india-rubber, May,' she said."

One inch of rain means 100 tons of water on every acre.

THE AUTOMOBILE



KEEP MUFFLER CLEAN AND NO CUT-OUT NEEDED.

One of the parts of an automobile most neglected by many owners and drivers is the muffler. As a boy with a dirty face puts off the cleaning up process just as long as possible, so the motorist with a muffler that needs attention procrastinates and thinks perhaps he will fix it up to-morrow. And to-morrow never comes. But today is always here with its greater use of gasoline and various other complications that a dirty muffler causes.

The muffler is located under the car, and being out of sight is usually out of mind. It is therefore often neglected or misused. And yet it ought not to be. The muffler is placed on the end of the exhaust pipe of the engine so that the driver of an automobile while taking pleasure himself does not wholly deprive others of it.

Let us consider the use of the muffler. The exhaust valve opens while the burned gas is still under pressure of from twenty-five to thirty pounds per square inch. If this were exhausted directly into the air the resulting noise would stifle conversation in the car, annoy everybody along the street and quickly get the driver into trouble with the police. The muffler prevents all this. It provides a chamber in which these exhaust gases may expand and cool somewhat and at the same time breaks up the pressure by allowing it to leak out slowly through a number of very small holes, instead of letting it loose in one "big noise."

The "Cut-Out" Valve.

In the early history of the automobile mufflers were not used and everybody for blocks around knew when an auto was coming. As the automobiles increased in number this became a nuisance and was stopped by law. Then they sought, indeed, had been seeking, a means of stifling the sound. In the early muffler there was trouble because the gas would back up in the cylinder and decrease the power of the motor. It was thought there was no way to decrease the sound without decreasing the power; therefore, the manufacturers devised a valve to "cut out" the muffler on the car whenever extra power was desired.

Sometimes the back pressure was so great as to interfere when driving through heavy roads or up hills. The "cut out" let the gas exhaust directly into the air instead of going through the muffler. At the present time nearly every city has a law prohibiting the use of "cut outs."

As a matter of fact, those well posted on automobile engines understand to-day that the "cut out" is absolutely unnecessary on a modern car if the muffler is kept in proper condition. Muffler manufacturers have been able to produce a design in which there is no back pressure at all. For this reason manufacturers discourage the use of the "cut out" on their cars, and

Land of Our Birth.

Land of our birth we pledge to thee Our love and toil in the years to be, When we are grown and take our place

As men and women with our race, Father in Heav'n, who lovest all, Oh, help Thy children when they call, That they may build from age to age, An undefiled heritage.

Teach us delight in simple things, And mirth that has no bitter springs, Forgiveness free of evil done, And love to all men 'neath the sun. Land of our birth, our faith, our pride, For whose dear sake our fathers died, O Motherland, we pledge to thee, Hear, heart and hand thro' the years to be!

Love's Lantern.

Because the road was steep and long And through a dark and lonely land, God set upon my lips a song And put a lantern in my hand.

Through miles on weary miles of night That stretch relentless on my way, My lantern burns serene and white, An unexhausted cup of day.

Turk Says He is 146 Years Old.

The eternal wrangle over claims of being the oldest living person has broken out here again with the arrival in Marseilles on the way to London of a Turk named Djoure, who asserts he is 146 years old, says a Paris despatch. If this is true he outdistances the American Indian Kabenahgwayence (Wrinkled Meat), who was declared to hold the Western Hemisphere record, by twelve years.

Unlike a majority of such claimants, Djoure produced what purported to be a birth certificate showing that he was born in 1775 in Bitlis, in the Caucasus. Until he left Constantinople he was still working as a market porter, and on landing in Marseilles he carried his baggage on his shoulders.

There has been a slump in the number of French centenarians since 1886, when the Government investigated the claims of 184 such persons shown in the census books. Only sixteen of these produced baptismal certificates. Nothing could be learned about forty-eight, and the rest were regarded as stretching the facts concerning dates of their births. The oldest man then living in France was declared to be a Spaniard. He was living in Turbos and was 116 years old.

The great steamship "Mauretania" was greatly damaged recently by a fire caused by a carelessly dropped cigarette stub. Similar stubs have destroyed Canadian forests that would have supplied the wooden decks and interior fittings for a hundred "Mauretania's."

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Guidboard Corners.

Miss Dossie Coleman spent the
last week-end in Brockville with her
brother, Jack, and other relatives
and friends.

Miss Enola Scott with her doll
family was a visitor of Miss Dossie
Coleman last Monday. They spent
the day photographing and walking
in the woods.

Mrs. Anna Eliza Livingstone visit-
ed her friends, the Misses Wight and
Mrs. Coleman last Thursday.

The white fields and ice-clad trees
remind us that another Christmas is
at hand and the dear children (God
bless them every one) are big-eyed
with the visions of the sugar plums
on Christmas trees. May the sugar
plums be realized and abundant.

The Sunday School held, in
the Hard Island School Room is prov-
ing exceedingly interesting to the
both young and old. It is well organ-
ized and in condition to do good

A Spring Day Up in Muskoka

A Spring day in Muskoka, with sky
and water vividly blue; the smell of
pine, the song of birds in the air.
On a sunny slope a girl gathered
trilliums with eager hands. She smil-
ed at the questioning stranger.

"I never picked wild flowers be-
fore," she said wistfully. "We lived
in the city. Father died, and then—
mother, of tuberculosis. I was all
alone. I wasn't strong—worked too
hard—and I got it. They brought me
here to the Sanitarium on a
stretcher."

"But, look at me now!" exultantly.
The glow of health was in her cheeks.
"It's the rest and care and good food
and fresh air that saved me," and her
eyes shone joyously.

Surely she was worth saving, this
bonny, blue-eyed girl! Surely the
Muskoka Hospital for Consumptives
deserves her gratitude!

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W. A. Charlton 223 College Street,
Toronto.

Wiltse Lake

The many friends of Mr. Paul Hef-
ernan are glad to have him with them
once more.

Mrs. Willie Riley of Smiths Falls,
who has been spending a few days
with her sister, Miss Lucy Moore,
returned home recently.

A large number of young people
from here attended the High School
Commencement on Thursday and
Friday nights.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Moore of this
vicinity were called to Smiths Falls
Tuesday because of sudden death of her
little grandson, Clifton Leach, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Milton Leach and much
sympathy is felt for his bereaved
parents.

Mr. Paul Hefferman of Glen Morris
attended the dance at Lyndhurst on
Thursday last.

Mrs. Walter Pitcher is very poorly.

The Humble Home "In the Rear"

A man, gaunt, hollow-eyed, lay on
the bed in a little shack "in the
rear." The closed window was a
silent reproach to an unwelcome
garbage heap within twenty feet of
the front door. There, the man, his
wife and two children existed, miser-
ably.

How could a victim of tuberculosis
possibly recover under such condi-
tions?
Ah! the pitiful lack of money to
provide for his needs! The dumb
agony in his wife's eyes!

The National Sanitarium came to
the rescue. He was sent to the Mus-
koka Hospital for Consumptives, and
the family provided for in healthy
surroundings.

That was a year ago. It has taken
time, but pure air, perfect rest, prop-
er—and sufficient—food, have done
their work.

It is expected that a few months
will complete his recovery, and fit
him for light work.

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Warburton

Mrs. Phillip Leabauer and her
son, Lloyd, of Ellisville spent the
week-end at the home of her father
R. J. Steacy.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Latimer, Selton,
were visitors of the latter's parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lortey, on Satur-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Webster visit-
ed Brockville friends on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Leigh, Fairfield,
were guests of the latter's sister; Mrs.
W. J. Webster, on Wednesday.

"We come Home" to Clarence
Ruttle, who has spent the past few
months in the West.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob. Heaslip of
Escott were renewing old friendships
in the locality during the past week.
Mr. Melton Burns spent Saturday
in the "Limestone City"

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WINTER CARE OF COLTS

The First Winter a Critical Time
for Weanlings.

Two or More Colts Do Better To-
gether—Nourishing Feeding Also
an Important Factor—No Gain
in Too Early Pasturing.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of
Agriculture, Toronto.)

The first winter is a critical time
in the life of a colt. The care and
attention he receives during this
period determines, to a great extent,
his future usefulness. If he be poorly
fed, neglected, and allowed to be-
come thin and weak, it is probable
he will never be as good or valuable
an animal as he would have been
under more favorable circumstances.
Comfortable Quarters Important.

He, in the first place, should be
provided with warm, comfortable and
well-ventilated quarters, and, while
he should be taught to lead, and
stand tied, it is much better if he
have a roomy stall to stand in. Two
or more colts will probably do better
together than one alone. At the same
time, it is often necessary to winter
one without company. He will do
better by himself than with a colt
a year or more older. The next ques-
tion is: "What, and how much
should he be fed?"

The Matter of Feeding.

In our opinion there is little dan-
ger of overfeeding at this age. While
there are exceptions, it is usu-
ally safe to give a weanling all he
will eat, provided he gets regular
exercise; but it must be understood
that he should not be given more
than he will eat. It is a mistake to
keep food before him all the time.
He should, with apparent relish, eat
all that is given him, in at most an
hour and a half, and then he will be
ready for the next meal when the
time arrives. It is not easy to say
just how much food a colt of a given
age and size should consume, but the
attendant, if a careful and observant
man, will soon be able to determine
the quantity to be given at each meal,
and be able to give sufficient, with-
out waste. Hay and oats should be
the food upon which to depend for
growth, both muscle and bone. If
either grain than oats be given we
will take back what we have said
about "there being little danger of
overfeeding."

Give Best Quality of Food.

All food should be of first-class
quality. Well saved timothy makes
a good substitute. Hay should be fed
in the necessary quantities three
times daily, and we prefer whole to
cut hay for such young animals. The
manner in which oats should be fed
will admit of argument. In our opin-
ion, and experience, rolled oats gives
better results than whole. We find
that colts relish rolled oats that have
been scalded and allowed to become
cool, and that they thrive well on
such. The practice of mixing a ra-
tion of rolled oats and a little wheat
chaff or cut hay in a pail, pouring
some boiling water on it, covering it
and allowing it to stand for a few
hours before feeding, gives excellent
results. The morning's meal can be
prepared in the evening, and the
evening's meal in the same vessel in
the morning, the noonday meal be-
ing either dry, rolled or whole oats.
In addition to hay and oats, the colt
should be given a carrot or two with
the noon meal, and a feed of bran,
either damp or dry, at least twice
weekly. This may be extra, or in lieu
of oats, as is indicated by the appar-
ent requirements of the colt. As re-
gards water, it is well to allow free
access to water at all times. Where
this is not practicable the colt should
be given water at least three times
daily.

Let Him Get Reasonable Exercise.

He should be turned into a yard
or paddock for a few hours every
day that is not too rough or stormy,
and the more gentle handling and
lessons in leading, etc., he gets the
better. His feet require attention.
The wear is usually not sufficient to
keep them in proper shape, the toes
grow long and the heels deep and
narrow, and the wall turns inward
below the quarters. If this be not
corrected or prevented, permanent
harm may result. The feet should be
carefully examined at least once
monthly and dressed to as near the
normal size and shape as possible by
the use of a shoemaking's knife
and rasp. The stall should be clean-
ed out, at least once weekly.—J. H.
Reed, V.S., O. A. College, Guelph.

No Gain in Too Early Pasturing.

Farmers should not be in a hurry
to turn their cattle out to pasture.
The cattle will travel over the entire
pasture area, and by cutting up the
sod with their hoofs while the
ground is yet soft, and grazing off
the first blades of grass they will
greatly reduce the amount of feed
which the pasture will yield if they
are kept off a few weeks longer so
that the grass may have opportunity
to make a real start. Under average
conditions it will by all means pay
best to keep the cattle off the pas-
ture until the sod has become firm
and the grass has attained sufficient
start to support them fully from the
time they are turned out. Cattle
should be turned on new grass the
first time about the middle of the
day, after they have already had a
good fill of dry feed. They should be
driven back to the feed lot each night
for three or four nights, and given
opportunity to eat some dry food
each morning before going to the
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one kind.

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PLAN TO CREATE A DOMINION IN IRELAND NOW BEFORE THE SINN FEINERS

Ulster to Retain Present Powers and Imperial Representation With the Option of Joining the Dominion Parliament—Boundary Changes in Frontiers of North and South.

A despatch from London says:—A draft of alternative proposals for an Irish settlement was given by the Government on Thursday to the Sinn Fein leaders. Mr. Barton left London Thursday evening with the documents which will be considered by the Sinn Fein Cabinet. If the Sinn Fein indicates readiness to discuss the new scheme, then the Government will submit it to Ulster, it is hoped, by Tuesday.

The alternative proposal has already been described in general terms. It would create Ireland a Dominion, Ulster exercising her option to remain out of the Dominion Parliament and to retain her present powers and Imperial representation, but on this important point Ulster would at any time have the option at her own request of joining the Dominion Parliament. The Sinn Fein are to give their allegiance under a form to be agreed. Part of the new proposal is a boundary commission to re-examine the frontiers of Ulster and the South, with a view to some changes which

would be advantageous both to the North and the South during the period they are separated. Such a boundary commission, it is thought, might get rid of some of the difficult problems in Tyrone and Fermanagh, and if in those counties some of the Sinn Fein population were allotted to the South, perhaps in exchange Ulster might be allotted some territory in County Donegal, which would render the geographical position of Derry City less anomalous.

The Government's undertaking to submit fresh proposals to Ulster before next Tuesday, the time limit set by Premier Sir James Craig this week in his declaration to accept the Government's previous proposal, is understood to be conditioned upon the acceptance of the new proposals by Sinn Fein, and upon the inclusion in such possible acceptance of an agreement on the part of Sinn Fein to swear allegiance to the Crown. Should this agreement not be reached it is understood Ulster will not be approached again, and that negotiations with Sinn Fein would then terminate.



AFTER WANDERING SIX THOUSAND YEARS IN THE WILDERNESS

Dominion News in Brief

Halifax, N.S.—Forty-two Sable Island ponies have arrived here on the government steamer Lady Laurier. A number of these animals are taken from Sable Island every year and sold by the Dominion Government.

St. John, N.B.—Upwards of \$6,000,000 have been allocated by the Anglo-Persian Oil Company for the purpose of developing the oil shale deposits in New Brunswick. The company intends to erect a 5,000-ton plant, from which it is hoped 60,000,000 gallons per annum may be obtained from the deposits. The estimate is made that there is enough shale in the series to supply five plants of 1,500-ton capacity each for 50 years.

Sackville, N.B.—A fox company with a capital of fifty thousand dollars has been incorporated to engage in breeding, and rearing foxes, as well as other fur-bearing animals.

Quebec, Que.—To meet a sudden dearth in the New York market, which had been growing for some time, 200,000 eels valued at \$100,000 were shipped from Quebec to New York. They travelled in three specially constructed barges so arranged that water could flow in and out of the vessels at all times, keeping the fish alive. The significance of a shipment of this volume may be realized when it is considered that the annual import of eels from Canada has been worth about \$85,000 only.

Toronto, Ont.—A syndicate of Toronto, Montreal and Hamilton capitalists has formed a company under Dominion charter, called the International Wheel and Rim Company, Limited, for the purpose of manufacturing a double disc steel automobile wheel under the Culp and Crenan patents and the new Culp Demountable Rim. The company has decided to locate its factory in Toronto.

Ridgetown, Ont.—A 190-acre farm near here has been purchased for \$40,000 by the Ontario Government from A. B. Brien, a well-known live stock breeder. Work will be begun immediately to convert it into an experimental farm for the development of specialized crops for which this sec-

tion of Ontario is becoming famous. Special attention will be given to the growing of beans, tobacco, sugar beets and corn. There is five different kinds of soil on the farm.

Winnipeg, Man.—Building contracts issued in Western Canada during the month of October totalled \$4,092,200, distributed as follows: British Columbia, \$2,155,100; Alberta, \$879,100; Saskatchewan, \$471,200; Manitoba, \$586,800. The month's total compares with the corresponding month in 1929 very favorably, when the total amounted to \$2,967,400, and in 1919 when the total was \$2,667,300.

Regina, Sask.—Thirty-one head of horses, three head of cattle, twenty-seven sheep and twenty-two hogs are Saskatchewan's contribution to the International Livestock Show at Chicago this year. After the exhibition, the hogs will be slaughtered and sold, but the horses, cattle and sheep will go to the agricultural show at Guelph, Ontario.

Edmonton, Alta.—Dredging tests carried on by a trio of Claresholm, Alberta, miners in the vicinity of Judson's Hope in the Peace River country have proven very satisfactory, according to reports brought from the ground upon the completion of the testing operations. Dirt running at least \$1 in gold to the cubic yard was worked and with the opening of spring the syndicate intends to commence development upon a large scale.

Victoria, B.C.—The announcement that the zinc production of the Trail Smelter, Canadian Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co., this year will be the largest in the history of the plant has been received with much interest in British Columbia mining circles. The output is said to be nearly 50 per cent. above that of last year. A market has been found in the Orient, important shipments having been made to the East recently, thus relieving the surplus stock situation.

Creighton, B.C.—All records for lateness in ripe tomato shipping were broken this year, when the season closed with an export of fifteen crates of the ripe grade from the R. J. Long ranch on October 25.

DOLLAR DROPS 50 POINTS IN GERMANY

Stiffening of the Mark Was Black Day on Bourse.

A despatch from Berlin says:—The dollar dropped fifty points on Thursday with the increasing insurance that a moratorium in reparations payments is going to be made. The first effect of this stiffening of the mark was a black day on the Bourse, but the news has gone far toward ending the strain under which Germany has been bending to the breaking point. If efforts for a moratorium fail after so much things infinitely worse than they were before. Chancellor Wirth would be broken and the mark would in all likelihood crash to 500 to the dollar within a week. All eyes are upon Walter Rathenau, Minister of Reconstruction, the Government's unofficial envoy, now in London.

No one ever advances who constantly waits for directions.

Canada Produces Cheapest Aluminum

A despatch from London says: In some things Canada can beat Germany at her own game of cheap production. According to the Mercantile Guardian, after going the rounds of the world's markets, buyers for the first time in many months find Canadian aluminum the cheapest, selling at 1 shilling 2½ pence per pound, while the German product, despite the depreciation of the mark, is 2 pence dearer. The Canadian product, which is often called American because it is shipped from New York, is said to be of exceptional quality.

The highest suspension bridge in the world is at Fribourg, Switzerland, where one is thrown over the gorge of Gotteron, which is 317 feet above the valley.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE MAKING RAPID STRIDES TO WARD WORLD PEACE

Important Points Are Already Practically Settled and Formal Announcement Will be Made in About Ten Days' Time.

A despatch from Washington says:—The biggest men at this Conference on the Limitation of Armaments seem to have but one fear as to the outcome. They fear they are proceeding too rapidly. They say they do not want to spin out the job for a protracted period, but they are anxious lest, in the hurry, some points are being overlooked and some decisions made which will breed repentance later. In that respect alone the gathering of the nations in Washington is unique. No diplomatic conference, so authorities claim, ever moved at such speed, unless it was a meeting at which some power was eager to hurry itself into war.

In a week or ten days the world is likely to be handed such a bundle of decisions as to make it reel with amazement. Many of these decisions are practically complete now, but no formal announcement is being made of them for various reasons.

However, the attitude of the Japanese is lessening the speed appreciably. One British delegate claimed that this was due to the Japanese psychology. They did not like to make one decision at a time and by slow, methodical means reach the important final conclusion. The Japanese desired to hold back on points until all the problems were assembled, and then make their agreements in a heap. That is one reason for saying that a bundle of decisions will be handed out.

This same British delegate summed it all up something like this:

(1) The Japanese will undoubtedly

accept the 10-10-6 ratio for capital ships as proposed by Mr. Hughes.

(2) The British will likely gain something in their attitude toward submarines. The Hughes proposals allow 90,000 tons of submarines each to Britain and the United States. This tonnage will be cut appreciably.

(3) There will be an end to the Anglo-Japanese alliance, the first move toward its abrogation coming from the Japanese themselves.

(4) There will be substituted for it an agreement for Britain, the United States and Japan. This agreement—not a treaty—may be extended soon to other powers, though the matter is not pressing, because a tripartite understanding is calculated to ensure the peace of the world.

It was explained by this same British delegate that the British came here with only two simple business objectives: One, to make secure the friendship of the United States; the other, to prevent war, or the possibility of war, between the United States and Japan. When the decisions such as are outlined above are arrived at these two objectives will have been achieved, he thought. Outside of the general desire for peace between the United States and Japan, the British were gravely concerned over a possible tangle in the manufacture of munitions in the event of a war between those two powers. Britain, Canada and Australia, it was pointed out, again would become munition centres, and the chances of trouble with either belligerent would be immense.

BANDITS SECURE \$40,000 AT THE FALLS

Three Express Company Employees Held Up With Pistols.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, N. Y., says:—Armed robbers secured loot valued at \$40,000 in a holdup of three express company employees here on Thursday night, shortly after six o'clock. The robbers loaded two strong boxes into an automobile and drove away, while many persons watching them thought it was all a joke.

The three expressmen were moving the two strong-boxes from the express company office to the train shed of the New York Central across the street. As they reached the train shed, four men stepped out, armed with revolvers. Three of the bandits covered the expressmen, while the fourth bandit put the strong-boxes, which contained \$40,000 in currency and valuables, into the auto.

One of the bandits took a revolver from one of the expressmen, and the four escaped without a shot being fired.

Manitoba's oldest woman, Nakastakon, a member of the Swampy Cree tribe of Indians, is dead at the age of 114 years. Nakastakon, whose name in English means "dancing girl," was born at Moose Factory, on the Hudson Bay, and was among the first Indians to welcome Anglo-American missionaries to the province. She died Tuesday at the Birch River Reserve in the Northland. During the last few years she was totally blind and unable to walk.

International Court to Meet at the Hague

A despatch from Geneva says:—The League of Nations has issued a call for the members of the International Court of Justice to meet at the Hague on January 30. Formal opening of the court is expected early in February.



The Crown Prince of Japan Who has been appointed Regent owing to the illness of the Mikado.

Denmark's kings have been called either Christian or Frederick for over 400 years.

BRITISH DELEGATION STANDS FIRM FOR THE ABOLITION OF SUBMARINES

A despatch from Washington says:—Complete abolition of the submarine as an instrument of warfare, still is regarded by the British delegation as the most preferable decision to be reached by the armament conference when the question of the submarine is brought up.

While the British delegates realize that their views as to the unsuitability of the submarine for warfare might not prevail in the conference, they felt certain it would receive much sympathy in the world at large.

In anticipation of a lively discussion on this subject before the conference, one of the highest British authorities to-night set out the British attitude as follows:

The submarine hardly can be used without being abused; in the past certainly was a gross abuse of every rule of war; it destroyed the innocent and the non-belligerent as well as the crews of warships. There might be a legitimate use for the submarine if it could be confined to operations against warships; it could not be used

against merchant ships without violation of the rules of war.

Moreover, the British spokesman said he doubted seriously whether the submarine was the weapon of the weaker power against the stronger.

In response to an inquiry as to whether the same objection made to the submarine might not with equal force apply to the use of poison gas or to the dropping of bombs from airplanes, the British spokesman declared there was a great difference.

It would be impossible, without great injury to industrial life, he said, to end the manufacture of chemicals capable of being turned into poison gases in time of war. As to airplanes, which are now a valuable means of transportation in times of peace, it would be impossible, he added to check the development of these new means of communication. While these airplanes, capable of carrying large cargoes in times of peace, might carry bombs in time of war, he contended, the submarines could not be turned to any other useful purpose than that of a weapon of war.

It's a Great Life if You Don't Weaken



By Jack Rabbit

Sapphire is Hard Stone. The sapphire is the next hardest stone to the diamond.

THE CAUSE OF BACKACHE

Only in Rare Cases Does Backache Mean Kidney Trouble.

Every muscle in the body needs constantly a supply of rich, red blood in proportion to the work it does. The muscles of the back are under a heavy strain and have but little rest. When the blood is thin they lack nourishment, and the result is a sensation of pain in those muscles. Some people think pain in the back means kidney trouble, but the best medical authorities agree that backache seldom or never has anything to do with the kidneys. Organic kidney disease may have progressed to a critical point without developing a pain in the back. This being the case, pain in the back should always lead the sufferer to look to the condition of his blood. It will be found in most cases that the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to build up the blood will stop the sensation of pain in the ill-nourished muscles of the back. How much better it is to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for the blood than to give way to unreasonable alarm about your kidneys. If you suspect your kidneys, any doctor can make tests in ten minutes that will set your fears at rest, or tell you the worst. But in any event to be perfectly healthy you must keep the blood in good condition, and for this purpose no other medicine can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

You can get these pills through any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

The Waterloo medal was the first given to all ranks alike.

Origin of Steeplechase.

The etymology of steeplechase is too obvious to need explanation. Founders of the sport merely fixed upon a distant steeple and rode straight to it, crossing gallantly hedge, ditch, palling, turf or timber, pasture, crops, moorland or ridge and furrow—whose riding straightest, came in first and was winner.

But there are few, indeed, to whom a wild goose chase bears any implication of sport, yet the phrase derives from a sport hazardous, indeed. It is said to have begun in Ireland, where a chosen leader took mounted men cross country, but chose always the roughest, wildest going to be found. If mischance befell the leader some other took up the office—occasionally there was a change of leaders if the first proved timorous. For danger real and thrilling was the spice of the wild goose chase.

The winner was not he who came home first, but he who had flunked nothing in the route, even possibly have gone further around to negotiate an extra hazard.

Knowing this I have wondered a little if the Wild Geese—the Irish legions who, fighting for alien kings, have shown themselves prodigies of valor—did not take their name from the sport nearest the heart of their homeland.

Scientific Proof.

One day a teacher was having a first-grade class in physiology. She asked them if they knew that there was a burning fire in the body all of the time. One little girl spoke up and said:

"Yes'm; when it is a cold day, I can see the smoke."

Minard's Liniment for Garget in Cows.



With The BOY SCOUTS

The Owen Sound Council of the Boy Scouts was reorganized recently and new plans and new life were injected into this work among the boys. The local Rotary Club is behind Owen Sound Scouting strong, and recently devoted one of its weekly meetings to a Boy Scout dinner at which Executive Secretary Frank C. Irwin of Toronto was the chief speaker. It was announced that there are now five Boy Scout Troops in the city and that three more will probably be formed before the end of the year. There will be general reorganization of the Scout movement in the city and all Scout bodies will be brought under one central governing council. In addition new troops will be organized and the work carried on in districts not now covered.

A meeting was held in Hamilton recently of the special committee in whose hands are the arrangements for the mammoth Scout display to be held some time in the early part of the coming year. It was decided that in addition to the actual display, booths will be erected which will illustrate the different subjects boys are taught to enable them to pass the Scout proficiency badge tests. The planning of the entertainment was left in the hands of a sub-committee and all the local Scoutmasters have been asked to inform this committee of all talent possessed as soon as possible.

William Aitchison was elected president of the Border Cities' Boy Scout Council at a meeting of the council held recently in Windsor. Mr. Aitchison was vice-president last year and has been actively identified with Scout work in the Border Cities for four years. He was president of the Fourth Troop when it was organized four years ago. It was arranged at the meeting that an officers' training course be opened in the Border Cities for the benefit of young men who have been Scouts or are interested in Scout work.

"Cascarets" if Sick, Bilious, Headachy from the Bowels

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Cock Crowing Belgian Sport.

Cock-crowing competitions are very popular among the working classes in Belgium. The roosters are ranged in cases, and official markers note the number of crows. The cock that has uttered its shrill cry the most times in an hour carries off the prize.

Soldiers Learned Value of Forests.

The remarkable increase in the interest which Canadians are taking in their forests is attributed by some to the fact that members of the Canadian Expeditionary force in the war came home with a new conception of how vital forests are to any state, both in peace and war, and also how large a proportion of land in countries of dense population is devoted to forest culture. This is doubtless one reason, and the rise in the cost of forest products of all kinds has also been a contributing factor. Perhaps the chief reason has been the realization by both civilians and soldiers of the folly, amounting to criminality, of allowing a great natural resource to be destroyed by the careless handling of fire.

Honey Refrigerator in Hives.

It is the habit of bees to place their honey in the coolest place in the hive, and the young insects in the warmest.

Great Drydock.

The greatest drydock on the Mediterranean is planned by the Italian Government at Naples.

Some Fish Never Sleep.

Salmon, pike and goldfish are said to be the only fish that never sleep.

The Persians have a different name for each day in the month.

The leech is the only animal that possesses three separate jaws.

Still hope! It is foolish to be sorry you came until you reach the end of the road.

In Italy wheeled traffic keeps to the left in the large towns, but to the right in the country.

The nettle, which has eighteen common varieties, is the most widely spread of any wild plant.

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Once a mother has used Baby's Own Tablets for her little ones she would not be without them. The Tablets are a perfect home remedy. They regulate the bowels and stomach; drive out constipation and indigestion; break up colds and simple fever and make baby healthy and happy. Concerning them, Mrs. Noble A. Pye, Ecum Secum, N.S., writes:—"I have found Baby's Own Tablets of great benefit for my children and I would not be without them." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Predicts Armageddon Within the Decade.

An astrologer who signs himself "Septaral," writing in the British Journal of Astrology, says that the year 1926 is destined to shake the world to its foundations, both physically and politically.

After general trying misfortunes, he says, there will be a battle of Armageddon, with the entry six years later of "the Mighty One of Israel."

The great final conflict, he says, will be waged against Mohammedanism allied with the Bolsheviks, which will push in the direction of the Holy Land, where, north of Jerusalem, the fight will be carried to its predestined end. Four great Powers will be allied against the Anglo-Saxons, which will be gathered again from all parts of the earth. There will be a British-Israel victory in the end and universal peace.

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Angels' Hair Candy Made from Gourds.

In Spain and the Canary Islands has long been grown a kind of gourd, the size of a small watermelon, green blotched with white, which is very good to eat. It is called "pantama," and until recently botanists have supposed that it came from the Far East, another name for it being "Slam gourd."

It turns out, however, that this gourd is of American origin, and was eaten by the people of Mexico long before the days of Cortez and Montezuma, being known to them as "chilacayote." The Spaniards took it to Europe and introduced it in their own country.

A curious thing about it is that its white flesh, when the gourd is cooked, resolves itself into long filaments resembling vermicelli. Cut in quarters and boiled forty-five minutes, the vegetable is then transferred to cold water, whereupon, with a little stirring, the pulp detaches itself from the rind and takes the form of slender threads, which may be served with soup, with milk, "a gratin" with cheese, or in various other ways.

In the Canary Islands the vermicelli-like filaments are converted into a delicious candy by putting them into boiling syrup and cooking until the syrup cracks in cold water. The candy thus made is pretty, transparent, light yellow in color, and is called "angel's hair."

In a certain public park there are seats around the bandstand with this notice posted on them: "The seats in the vicinity of the bandstand are for the use of ladies. Gentlemen should make use of them only after the former are seated."

The actual weight of the human brain or the size of the head is no sign of special intelligence.

Minard's Liniment for Distemper.

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HEALTH EDUCATION

BY DR. J. J. MIDDLETON
Provincial Board of Health, Ontario

Dr. Middleton will be glad to answer questions on Public Health matters through this column. Address him at Spadina House, Spadina Crescent, Toronto.

There appears to be a doubt in the mind of many of my correspondents as to what Public Health actually means. At the head of the column in which I write articles on Public Health, questions on Public Health subjects are invited, and I shall be glad to answer such questions. But in many cases letters are received from people asking me for suggestions regarding treatment for some ailment they have and which they would like to get rid of. Now I desire to make it plain that I cannot answer questions of this sort. It would be useless for me to do so if I wanted to, for I have not seen the patient and could not diagnose their trouble from statements in a letter. Besides, treatment of disease is the particular and special work of the family or local physician. He is the man on the spot and the right man to consult in cases where medical advice is desired.

For instance, one woman writes that she enjoys my articles on Public Health and wants to know if I could tell her what to do for a "floating kidney." In another case a mother writes to say that her baby had a heat rash and wishes to know what she should do for it, while just this morning I received a letter from an old gentleman to say that he had fits and wanted me to tell him what treatment he should adopt.

Now, there are many similar letters reaching me which I need not relate

here, but in every case I have to refer such cases to the physician.

The work of a Public Health official deals largely with hygiene and preventive medicine, and by these terms I mean ways and means of preserving health and keeping the body and mind in full strength and vigor, and giving warnings of danger to health that will undoubtedly follow neglect of hygienic principles either in personal or community life. As regards the care and treatment of the sick, that is a phase of medical work by itself, and the local physician is the man to deal with sickness in any community.

The Public Health official is really a teacher and sanitarian. His work is preventive, rather than curative—in fact about the only instance where Public Health officials undertake treatment is in the prevention or control of communicable or infectious diseases when such diseases are a menace to the health of other people.

My advice to all those who write to me telling of their personal ailments is to see their doctor, because these ailments are not in the line of Public Health work. My purpose is especially to keep people well, and to this end I shall be glad to answer any questions that may help anyone to remain in good health and preserve their full vigor and activity, and I shall try to give full publicity to those principles of hygiene that tend to maintain health and happiness and raise the general standard of living.

Real Rest Depends Largely Upon the Depth of Your Sleep

A warning to "light" or "poor" sleepers

The deeper and sounder you sleep the better you feel. Five hours sound refreshing sleep does you more actual good than ten hours restless, disturbed sleep.

This is because the final conversion of food into vital tissue and nerve cells goes on more rapidly when the physical and mental forces are at rest.

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The Children of Christ Church Sunday School under the direction of Mrs. V. O. Boyle will present their annual Xmas Tree Entertainment on Tues. Dec. 20th in the Town Hall.

The programme will consist of a short play entitled "Good Work William" presented by the senior pupils ranging from 10 to 14 years—a small musical skit called the Blue Bird's Wedding, by Mrs. Boyle, and presented by tots from three to ten years followed by a beautiful tableau - The Kings of the Orient, arranged by Mrs. Boyle and presented "en masse" by the Sunday School.

Plan of Hall will be open at Mr. Tribute's on Saturday Dec 17.

OBITUARY

WILLIAM ALLINGHAM

On Sunday evening at 11 p. m. an old resident of Lyn and Athens passed away. In his younger days he was a competent cooper and worked many years at this trade. He was of a genial disposition and many friends mourn his loss to our community.

The funeral was at the house of Mr. Madden Hewitt on Tuesday afternoon at 1 p. m. by Rev. S. F. Newton who preached an impressive funeral sermon.

JAMES GORDON RAPPPELL

With startling suddenness, came the news from Eatonia, Sask., that James Gordon Rapppell, son of the late John A. Rapppell and Mrs. Rapppell, had died as a result of an accident which befell him on Nov. 23rd. Following a short absence from town, he entered the bank, of which he was manager, and, finding the revolver out of its place in the holster, picked up the weapon to examine it. Finding it contained some empty shells, he attempted to pry them out, when the fire-arm exploded, the charge entering his side and penetrating the region of the stomach and spinal column. Despite skillful medical attention and careful professional nursing he lingered only some eighteen hours, passing away on the afternoon of November 24th, 1921. Deceased was born in the township of Kitley, Mar. 23rd, 1883, but when only two years of age came to Athens with his parents and resided here until he was graduated from the local High School following which he has held positions of trust in Buffalo, Salt Lake City, Edmonton and Moose Jaw. Early this year he was sent to Eatonia as manager of the Merchants Bank, where his efficient, exemplary life, and genial manners constituted him one of the outstanding figures in this prairie town. Funeral services were conducted at Eatonia by Rev. Jos. Smeeton, the brotherhoods of Masons and Odd-fellows conducting the burial service. Internment was made at Assiniboia. Some twelve years ago he was married to Miss Mary McCullum, Brockville, who survived together with his mother Mrs. Mary Rapppell, Athens, and three sisters, Miss Grace Athens, Mrs. J. C. Hardy, S. Iway N. Y., Mrs. A. E. Brown, Leeds, and one brother Kenneth, a barrister at Assiniboia, who was summoned when the fatality occurred. The family have the sincere sympathy of the community in the untimely de-

mise of Gordon Rapppell who is so well and favorably known by a wide circle of friends

NOTICE

The Rev. D. C. Reid will preach in Holiness Movement Church on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 2.30 p.m. He will be accompanied by a band of singers. Everybody welcome to this spiritual treat.

A. D. Dewar,
Pastor.

Sunday School at 1.30 p.m.

Correspondence

Editor Athens Reporter—

What has become of our Athens Amateur Athletic Association?

Formed some time ago to advance the interests of clean sports, it seems to have become an orphan in its infancy and a subject for burial due to insufficient nourishment. This is regrettable. Athens has had Baseball Teams second to none in Ontario. How well we remember the players! Many a time have the invading soccer teams tasted defeat at the hands of an Athenian Eleven. Where was Athens ever defeated in Association Football? Our Hockey Clubs have withstood the onslaught of rival clubs and never were disgraced. Not so many years ago train loads came here to witness hockey matches and our streets thronged with visitors. Of late years this has changed. Is this not due to insufficient and improper organization? It does not seem fair to leave the details of organization to the boys. Have not the merchants and residents of Athens some desire to see again our youths in strife with visiting youths and hear again the shouts of Victory?

We have excellent material here for Baseball or Hockey. Is it not possible for the municipality to take a little interest in the pleasures of the rising generations and get behind the A. A. A. and give it a boost? The Hockey season is drawing near and it is very probable the Athletic Association will be holding its semi-annual meeting. Do not let the boys be the only attendants at this meeting. It will mean the death of the club. Let us have a representative citizen gathering to resurrect the spirit of sport and once again place the Town of Athens in its proper place. Watch for the announcement of the Association meeting and be sure to attend.

Rod and Gun for December

The Christmas issue of Rod and Gun in Canada is particularly attractive and is replete with many stories which will appeal to the heart of the true sportsman. Allen H. Kerr's "Trout Hunting on the Kenogami and Kenogamesis" as the opening article will prove a realistic tale, the ever popular F. V. Williams and Bonycastle Dale's narratives are of the usual high standard. The article by A. F. Wallace entitled "Clam and Pearl Fish" will undoubtedly be of vivid interest as well as instructive. Guns & Ammunition, Along the Trapline, and Fishing Notes, contain several articles valuable to the various readers. ROD AND GUN IN CANADA is published monthly by W. J. Taylor, Limited, Woodstock, Ont.

Frankville

Mr. Strange of Carleton Place is moving to the Rectory to commence his work on this Diocese.

Oscar Smith of Elgin spent the week-end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Smith.

Rev. Mr. Oliver left today for a two week's holiday, next Sunday Rev. Mr. Lee of Toronto, will occupy the pulpit in the interest of the Dominion Alliance.

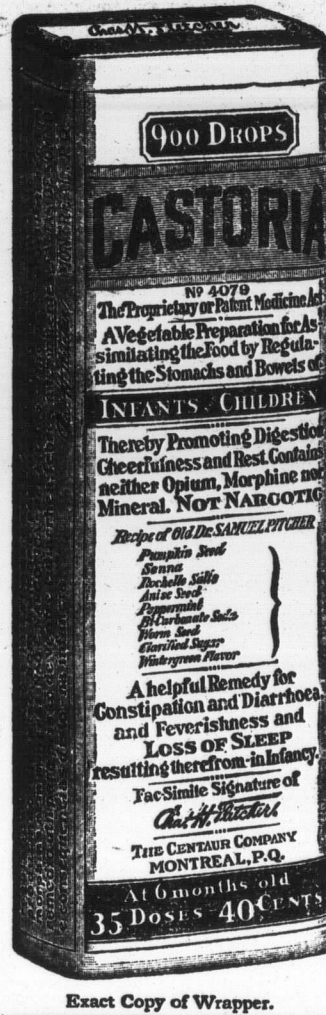
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McDonald and two daughters of Toledo spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Church.

Miss Viola Gardiner of Crystal was a guest of Mrs. W. Hanten on Sunday.

Mrs. W. Livingston spent the week-end with her sister Mrs. B. Barber, Plum Hollow.

Harold Eaton and Geo. Mott returned last week from the West.

Mr. J. I. Smith is having large quantities of milk brought in from other sections where factories are closed.



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10.30 a.m.—
7.00 p.m.—
Sunday School—
1.30 p.m.—Catechism Class.
2.30 p.m.—Sunday School.
Cottage Prayer Meeting Monday at 7.30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday at 7.30 p.m.

Baptist Church

R. E. NICHOLS, Pastor

Plum Hollow—
Sunday School 10.30
Morning Service 11 A.
Athens—
11.00 a.m.—Sunday School.
Evening Service—7.00
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m.
Song Service Evening Sunday at 6.45

PARISH OF Lansdowne Rear

Rev. V. O. Boyle, M.A., Rector
3rd Sunday in Advent

Christ Church, Athens—
2.30 p. m. Sunday School
7.00 p. m. Evening Prayer
Trinity Church, Oak Leaf—
2 p.m. Sunday School
2.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
St. Paul's, Delta—
9.30 a. m. Sunday School
10.30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

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