

## Adulteration in Canada.

Some objections may be made to legislation in Canada to require all imitations of woollen goods to be marked so as to show the constituent fibres and other materials and the relative proportions of each. As an epitome of the Grosvenor Bill, introduced into the United States House of Representatives, the following extract may be quoted:— "All manufacturers of goods or fabrics of any kind whatsoever made in imitation of woollen goods or fabrics, or goods which when so made are calculated or intended to be sold as woollens or woollen goods, not made wholly of new or unused sheeps wool, shall so mark, label or tag such goods, as that they may be readily distinguished from genuine wools, or woollens, as defined in the first section of this Act. That such mark, label or tag shall be so attached, as that it cannot be detached except by design, and such label shall accurately state in plain printed letters and figures the constitute fibres or other materials or substances of which it is composed, or the relative proportion per cent. of each."

Why should not legislation along the above lines be enacted in Canada? There is surely good precedent for such action. Take for instance the various laws already on the statute book in reference to dairy products. Let me quote:—(a) No oleomargarine, butterine, or other substitute for butter shall be manufactured in Canada or sold therein, and every person who contravenes the provisions of this Act in any manner whatsoever, shall incur a penalty not exceeding four hundred dollars, and not less than two hundred, and in default of payment shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months and not less than three months. (b) No person shall sell, supply or send to any cheese or butter or condensed milk factory, or to the owner or manager thereof, or to the maker of butter, cheese or condensed milk, to be manufactured, milk diluted with water, or in any way adulterated, or milk from which any cream has been taken, or milk commonly known as skim milk. (c) No person shall manufacture, or shall knowingly buy, sell, offer or expose for sale, or have in his possession for sale any cheese manufactured from or by the use of skim milk to which there has been added any fat which is foreign to such milk. (d) No person shall sell, offer, expose or have in his possession for sale any cheese manufactured from or by the use of milk commonly known as skimmed milk, or milk from which the cream has been removed, or milk to which skim milk has been added, unless the words "skim milk cheese" are branded, marked or stamped in a legible manner upon the side of every cheese or package which contains the same in letters not less than three quarters of an inch high and three quarters of an inch wide. (e) No person shall sell, offer, expose or have in his possession for sale any butter or cheese made in Canada and destined for export therefrom, unless the word, "Canadian," "Canadian," or "Canada," is printed, stamped or marked in a legible and indelible manner in letters not less than three eighths of an inch high and one quarter of an inch wide upon (1) the box or package containing the butter or cheese; (2) and moreover in the case of cheese upon the case of cheese itself before it is taken from the factory where it is made. (f) No person shall knowingly sell, offer, expose or have in his possession for sale, any cheese or butter upon which, or upon any box or package containing which,

is printed, stamped or marked any month other than the month in which such butter or cheese was made; and no person shall knowingly and with intent to misrepresent, sell, offer, expose or have in his possession for sale, any cheese or butter represented in any manner as having been made in any month other than the month in which it was actually made."

In the United States where the business of manufacturing oleomargarine, butterine and other imitations of butter has grown to immense proportions legislative action has recently been taken to prevent such imitations being sold as butter. It required a long and determined fight on the part of the American farmers to secure the passage through Congress of the so called "Grant Bill," as every influence was brought to bear by the powerful incorporations interested in the manufacture of adulterated dairy products. The chief provisions of this Act are "That upon oleomargarine which shall be manufactured or sold or removed for consumption or use, there shall be assessed or collected a tax of ten cents per pound, to be paid by the manufacturer thereof; and any fractional part of a pound in a package shall be taxed as a pound; provided, when oleomargarine is free from artificial coloration that causes it to look like butter of any shade of yellow, said tax shall be one-fourth of one cent per pound."

Manufacturers of and dealers in renovated butter and adulterated butter are required to pay special yearly taxes and each pound of the former is subject to the tax of one-fourth of one cent and each pound of the latter to the tax of ten cents per pound. Stringent regulations are in force for the purpose of compelling dealers and manufacturers to sell these adulterated goods for just what they are.

Why should not adulterated woollen goods be sold on their merits just as imitation or adulterated dairy products are? Some people may consider such legislation harassing, but as John Bright once said, there are people in the world who think the ten commandments the most harassing legislation that was ever enacted because they seem to run counter to their own pe uliarities so often.

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## Lord Kitchener and the Telephone.

Some few months after "K." as Tommy calls Lord Kitchener, had taken over command from "Bobs," he had occasion to visit some blockhouses which were in course of erection just outside one of the leading commercial towns. One, he noticed, had been put up in a rather exposed position, and he therefore ordered trenches and sangars to be thrown up at once, in order to strengthen it. Going inside one of the blockhouses—they are all connected by telephone—he rang up the officer commanding a unit in the town, when the following dialogue took place:—

K: "Are you there?"

C. O.: "Yes, sir."

K: "Are you—in command of the—shire Regiment?"

C. O.: "Yes, sir."

K: "I want a working party, fifty strong, with entrenching tools, to be here at six o'clock tomorrow morning."

C. O.: "I beg your pardon, sir, but my men are all employed on something or other, the majority escorting prisoners down the line."

K: "Oh, I see. Ah! is that a band I hear playing there?"

C. O. (hesitating): "Y—yes, sir."

K: "Oh, it is. What band."

C. O.: "Regimental band, sir, playing outside the mess."

K: "Playing at mess? Well—ah—just have those instruments put away for some future occasion, will you, and make that working party 100 strong to arrive here to-morrow morning at 6 a. m. or there will be a regimental command vacant."

C. O. (stammering): "Very good, sir."

That working party was mostly bandsmen. Kitchener had heard the music vibrating on the gramophone instrument.

## Bobby Jonks on Human Nature.

Human nature is the excuse we generally offer for acting like a pig—only a pig merely attends to his own business and makes a hog of himself according to the dictates of his own conscience, and we don't. A pig don't lie, nor tell the teacher on you, nor slap you down just 'cuz your clothes fit you better than his'n, nor marry you and henpeck you and drive you to drink, nor elocute you into an early grave, nor feel bigger than you without any reason, nor collect money for the heathen, nor buy wine for actresses, nor dye his whiskers, nor sell his vote for a mess of potash, nor tell you about his dyspepsia, nor try to reform you, nor be a Daughter of the Revolution—nor anything, only just 'tend strictly to his knitting and be a pig.

Humble though he is, the pig don't call his squeals singing. I am not mentioning any names, you understand, but from this we should learn to emulate the poor but honest pig. He don't flatter himself that he is a skylark, and neither should we—especially if we are an old maid. My Aunt Almira is an old maid, and my Uncle Bob says he wishes to gosh he had a dollar for every time he don't enjoy hearing her warble. Uncle Bob is an old bachelor. The pig seldom lives to be old—the good die young.

Every time we do a particularly ratty thing we say, "Aw, well, it's human nature!" And I guess that's about so, from what I know of folks in general. Birds in their little nests agree, but it is human nature for little chil-

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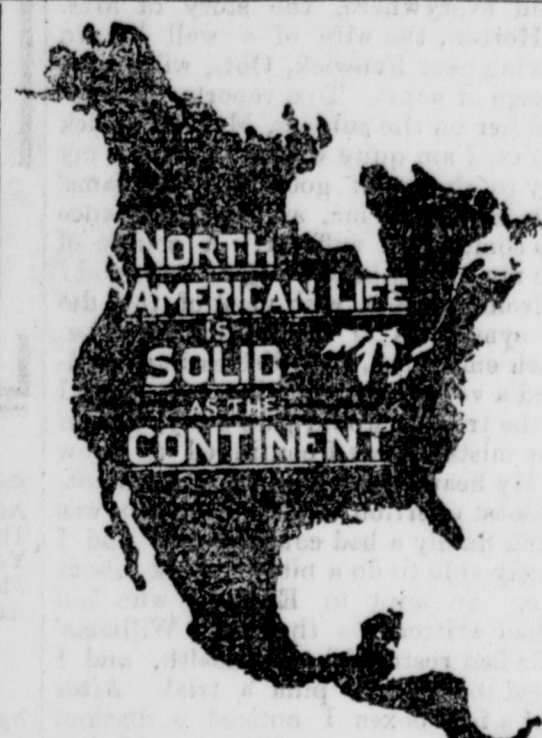
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dren to bark and bite and scratch each other's eyes out. It is human nature to get all you can and try to keep all you get, and also to be thankful 'cuz there is always somebody that's a great deal worse off than you are. It is human nature for us to grin and say, "I told you so," when we never said anything of the kind. It is human nature for a woman who is fat and hates it to think every woman who is thinner is so just for spite; and Uncle Bob says that when a woman is as fat as a bass-drum nothing tickles her so much as to have some man call her "little girl." Honest, that's what he said; but wouldn't it bump you?

It is human nature for us to be stuck on ourselves without any particular excuse, but we should always bear in mind that there are plenty of other people just as insignificant as we are. A big man flatters himself that he aches harder than a small one, but it ain't so. According to Uncle Bob, a good many men, if the egotism was pulled out of them, would look like umbrellas with the ribs gone. Uncle Bob says, "What's the use in climbing a tree for a peach, when if we wait long enough it will fall down to us? We don't have to kill a man in order to get even with him; if we are patient he will die on his own hook. If we don't run after the women they'll run after us. All this is human nature."

So is 'most everything else in this life, according to Uncle Bob's way of looking at it. He says he don't know why reformers are generally dead-beats, only it seems to be human nature. He also says that when you find a pack of uncurried children that need patching so badly that they have to scoot up garret every time company comes, and a husband and father as meek as a rabbit, you are sure to find a wife and mother with a fierce, commanding nose and a mission that compels her to go up and down the earth seeking whom she may devour—while her husband makes the bed at home, and her poor, benighted children cower under it a great plenty. Man's inhumanity is pretty bad, but I guess, from what I hear about it, that woman's inhumanity is a heap worse.

This is all I can think of about human nature, except that there is a great deal of it in 'most everybody—though, of course, some people have more than others.

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