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A PECULIAR SITUATION

The Montreal Gazette recently published the following:
"The professional diplomat or politician may be reluctant and even a little jealous to acknowledge the fact that a journalist's function is at least equal in importance to that of their own."

In commenting on the above the Financial Post of Canada has this to say:

"The Gazette must be thinking of the Canadian Department of Trade and Commerce, the officials of which frankly admit that they regard Canadian newspapers as competitors or revivals of a little weekly bulletin they themselves issue—Commercial Intelligence Journal, Canadian Trade Commissioners throughout the world are expressly forbidden by the Department to answer enquiries sent them by Canadian newspapers. If a manufacturer, who occasionally discusses the good of his town or industry with the most public-spirited man in the district—the editor of the local newspaper—should say he could pack more vegetables this year if he had an outlet; and if as a result the editor should try to help find a market and take upon himself to write the Canadian Trade Commissioner maintained at great expense in, say, China to know whether there is a market for Canadian canned tomatoes in Shanghai, and for information on how to get the business, etc., the Trade Commissioner at Shanghai dare not answer. He breaks strict regulations if he answers. He may write only for Commercial Intelligence Bulletin. He also breaks the regulations if he submits to an interview. Many of the Commissioners, who are bigger men than the officials at Ottawa, take upon themselves to answer correspondence and give information to Canadian newspaper correspondents, but warn the editor or correspondent not to let it be known that they have done so."

With a live business man like Hon. J. A. Robb in charge of the Department of Trade and Commerce the red tape regulations referred to above are likely to disappear once his attention has been called to the matter.

SHORT AND SWEET

A New York clergyman, invited to address Yale students several years ago, inquired of President Hadley how long he might talk. The university head replied that the divine might have all the time he wished, but added that "souls at Yale are not saved after the first twenty minutes."

The world is a trifle more impatient of windiness today than it ever has been before. It has always frowned on verbosity. Brevity and conciseness have been half the battle with men who sought to impress their message on the world. To read aloud and distinctly the story of the Crucifixion as related in the gospel according to St. Mark requires a little more than four minutes. Reciting Lincoln's Gettysburg address is a matter of something under two minutes. Tennyson will be known popularly for his "Crossing the Bar" when his exquisite "Idyll of the King" are known only to students, and Stevenson's "Epitaph" will be as good as new when more ambitious and more poetic poetry of the age is forgotten. Run through the Oxford Book of English Verse and find that the lyric episode lives while attenuated poetry languishes for want of time in this generation to make it memorable.

Pretty nearly any idea on earth can be expressed in a few minutes. And this feverish age is one in which the gentleman who consumes more than a decent allotment in winning a soul or a vote or expounding a poetic idea or selling his goods is pretty apt to find himself talking to the janitor in the rear of the hall.

Nomination for by-elections in St. John and Madawaska counties take place on Saturday next. So far no opposition candidate is in sight in Madawaska county and the indications are that the government will take the seat by acclamation. In St. John county there will be a contest, providing of course that the opposition candidate does not drop out before polling any case the government standard day but in any case the government standard bearer is practically sure of the seat. Although the Foster Government has been in office going on six years it has never up to now had to contest a by-election.

A speaker in Ann Arbor, Mich., declares the world is weary of all rag time and jazz "and waits yearningly

for some musician who shall give it something more akin to 'Just a Song at Twilight.'" In fact, it waits for him with those "Hoping, Longing, Yearning-for-you Blues."

Confectioners in convention in Chicago declare that Easter has ousted Christmas as the big candy season. Unnatural historians will be interested to note that the rabbit has a sweeter tooth than the turkey.

A new-born calf sold at auction in Massachusetts for \$2,000. This, indeed, will be a home-coming for the prodigal son.

Although the western hemisphere is moving north, the rate of ninety-five miles in 1,000,000 years is too slow for hay-fever sufferers.

Russia will have a chance to prosper when the majority of Russians gather up the decomposed remains of sovietism and bury them.

It remained for the police to charge a woman with having two husbands. Neither one of them probably dared make a complaint.

New York is to have a thirty-two-story hotel for bachelors only. They ought to be safe there.

One of the things Lloyd George does extremely well is to carry the House of Commons off its feet.

DeValera is the father of twins. It never rains for DeValera unless it pours.

One always can tell which side is right in a line fence dispute—generally neither is.

Through Our Sieve

Women can blame Eve for most of their faults, but Eve never borrowed a neighbor's vacuum cleaner.

No use looking under the sensational headlines for news that the world is getting better.

Anybody with imagination knows as much about Heaven as Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

Lima Beans that the ear for music is to listen with and the ear for jazz to walk on.

If Russia ever does get well she'll have a lot of interesting stories to tell about the things she saw on the wall paper while the fever was raging.

When a fellow backyard gardener who raised two bushels of carrots last year and threw away one bushel informs us he doesn't intend to plant as many this season we think there's hope for him.

Man cannot live on sunshine and blue sky alone; neither can he live without them. The great uplifting thought is that we don't have to pay taxes on that which comes to us as a sublime gift.

Apply for Licenses.

James J. Power, St. John Alfred M. Budd, St. Stephen; Robert LeB Sloat, Andover; have applied for retail licenses under the Prohibition Act.

Bridge Tenders.

The Provincial Department of Public Works is calling for tenders for the Brisley Brook Concrete Arch Culvert and Roadway Embankment, Mesereau Brook Concrete Arch Culvert and Roadway Embankment and Rockwell Brook Bridge, all in the Parish of Blissville, Sunbury County.

Will Go West.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hewson who have been spending the winter in the city left today by automobile for their former home in Amherst, N. S. Mrs. Hewson and child will spend the summer at Pugwash but it is Mr. Hewson's intention to leave shortly for California to look over the ground with a view to engaging in ranching at which he has already had considerable experience in the Canadian west. Mr. and Mrs. Hewson have made many warm friends during their stay in Fredericton and their departure is much regretted.

Mr. Charles (Ted) Taylor who is well known in local hardware circles left this week for Toronto where he expects to locate.

Notice To Dog Owners

Owners of dogs will please take notice that the dog taxes are now due and payable at the City Treasurer's Office.

(Sgd.) G. R. PERKINS,
City Treasurer.

Public Opinion

HARD ON THE YOUNG MEN

Editor Daily Mail:

Sir—I have followed the controversies in your paper on women's dress, bobbed hair, women in men's positions the inferiority of women to men, etc. These letters were, naturally, written by men. If these men would spend half the time at some useful study that they do at criticizing the women they might not feel the rivalry so keenly.

The average young man of today is a frivolous, shallow critter who does not think deeper than his hair roots and is mostly dead from the shoulders up. He is a sort of an animal who lives aimlessly from day to day, seeming perfectly content to make the minimum of effort one day that he may continue to have life enough to do the same the next day and so on ad infinitum.

There is not one of them in a dozen who has any ambition to rise above the mediocre and improve his station in life. Their evenings are spent in poolrooms, ogling on the corners, mooching about the movies. If they argue anything at all it is on the difference between tweedle-dee and tweedle-dum, and they are incapable of doing any straight thinking.

They have no time for books, art, science or any of the higher things of life. They are too busy talking baseball, shooting pool or discussing the coming prize fight. They can tell you the name of every cigarette manufactured and where the best bootleg hooch may be had, but they cannot give you the title of a half-dozen good books, let alone name the authors.

What have we girls to look forward to? Most of us are hoping for a home of our own some day, but how can it ever be a happy one with these up-to-date nincompoops. It is discouraging for us brainy girls to think of the future before us in this respect. I have not pictured an exceptional young man but have drawn the average.

M. C. N.

F'ton, May 30th, 1922.

CHAMPION
EGG EATER

Lamar, Mo., May 31—Missouri is a state of "champsens." There's the champion horseshoe pitcher, the champion hay pitcher, the champion hog (quadruped), mule, pancake eater, rail splitter and almost one might say, the champion "hootch maker."

Now comes a new "champeen"—Logan Rector, whose modest claim to fame lies in his ability to consume raw eggs.

At a recent demonstration before the Owls Club, Rector, to win a \$5 wager, swallowed six dozen raw eggs in twenty minutes.

HEIRESS ABDUCTED

Bristol, Eng., May 31—Edward B. Preston has been ordered to trial on the charge of abducting Miss Susan Sanderson, a 17-year-old heiress.

HAS BROKEN NECK

Nottingham, Eng., May 31—Thomas England just died here after living for eight years with a broken neck. Doctors who examined him after the accident said he would die within 24 hours.

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