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IF PRAYERS WERE ANSWERED.

There was, you will remember, a general drouth that threatened a certain crop. The growers prayed for sufficient rain to give them a generous harvest. The rain came in due season, the greatest crop in history was produced, and the price fell so low as almost to impoverish the growers. You may blame prayer or not, as you choose.

In this cynical age a great many people still believe in prayer. Nearly all of these feel a little cheated if their prayers are not answered. And yet if all prayers were answered, chaos would result within a week.

Everybody would pray for riches. Then, being rich, everybody would stop work. Money wouldn't be worth anything at all, and a million dollars wouldn't buy a fried egg.

Nobody would die if prayers were answered, for the most worthless man has somebody who would offer a petition in his behalf. Births would continue, the world would be crowded, the people would fight for bread. Death is essential.

The scheme of things was quite obviously worked out by an Intelligence far above man's conception. It is a good scheme. It works. The more you study it the more you respect the Intelligence that conceived it.

The laws of the universe are the rules of the game. You may think at times that the rules should be changed for your especial benefit, but a change that would benefit you might injure many. When both sides are praying for victory Heaven can't please everybody.

Man has learned to protect himself from many things. Only a kind Providence could protect him from the foolish prayers of his fellows.

FOR THE SAKE OF SAFETY.

Young men court danger as naturally as they take to gay colors of neckwear and hosiery. It is part of the zest of life for them.

Mountain climbers are young, Armies are masses of youths. It is from among the young men that sailors, steeplejacks, the "human flies," the workmen who put up skyscrapers and those who walk defiantly into the perils of love are recruited.

Allowance has to be made for this phase of healthy, normal youthfulness. One is loath to lecture the young men about it. But we wish some way could be devised by which it could be brought home to them that when they take chances in the traffic—as they constantly do—they endanger not merely themselves, but others not so lustful of romance.

Let them, since they must taste the sweets of danger, confine the exercise of their desires to such things as sleepwalking, canoeing alone, swimming beyond the life-lines, calling down the boss and proposing marriage haphazardly. It would be a vast addition to the stock of human security.

THE CATHODE RAY.

Suppose some one told you that there has been invented a device that can do these things:

Destroy hair and replace it with other hair.

Instantly kill small flies, insects and bacteria.

Change acetylene gas into a solid that cannot be dissolved.

Disintegrate the living tissues of animals.

In a minute's exposure put a hole through a rabbit's ear.

Such is the work of the cathode ray—a vacuum tube which throws off as many electrons a second as a ton of radium. Fancy what it means when electrons can be made to bombard everything in sight—and do it under human control.

The world is wonderful, but we are only at the beginning of its wonders.

A member of Parliament, who is also solicitor for the largest industrial concern in Eastern Canada, made the statement at a public function here on Thursday evening that his clients were to expend a sum in the vicinity of \$75,000,000 on development work in this province in the near future. This should be very pleasing information to the people of New Brunswick, yet a newspaper which pretends to give its readers the news, deliberately

ly suppressed all reference to this important matter. In no other city or town on this continent would personal spite be carried to such a ridiculous extreme.

It is regrettable that the name of ex-Premier Clarke should be made to appear in an unfavorable light in the investigation of the Gould charges now going on at Washington. Mr. Clarke had his troubles during the brief period which he held the Premiership of this province, but his personal integrity and honesty of purpose was never questioned even by his bitterest political opponents. It is therefore going to be difficult to make his friends on either side of politics believe that he was a party to any attempted hold up in connection with the Valley Railway enterprise.

A notable victory for the English language in its competition with the French for world supremacy is registered in Russia's turning to our tongue. The change is made doubly interesting by the fact that Russians have always been able to speak French correctly; they are the only Europeans whose accent is not jested about by the French themselves. Already recognized as the world's poorest linguists, it will take only a few more triumphs like this to make us perfectly satisfied to wait until the rest of the world learns to speak our language.

Medical authority connected with the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research says the belief that Thomas A. Edison sleeps only four hours a day is a myth; that he usually gets eight hours. Darn these prying intellectual show-me iconoclasts, anyway. For a good many years we've been consoling ourselves with the thought that even if we didn't have the genius of Edison we got more comfort out of life, and now we'll have to think up something else to reconcile us to the situation. There ought to be a law.

Canada's foreign trade for the fiscal year 1926, was \$2,255,939,868, an increase of 20.1 per cent. over 1925. The total exports were \$1,328,537,137, and the imports amounted to \$927,402,732, making a favorable balance of \$401,134,405. The total foreign trade of Canada the year after Confederation was \$119,791,679 and by 1900 it had grown to \$530,398,082. It has almost doubled itself since the year 1916. Canada now has the largest trade balance per capita of any country in the world.

Canada's income tax last year contributed to the revenue the sum of \$56,248.42 and it cost \$1,724,159 to collect it. The customs revenue of the Dominion was \$127,360,000 and the cost of collecting the same was \$7,262,209.

New Brunswick paid in Federal income taxes last year the sum of \$766,596, Nova Scotia \$847,447, and Prince Edward Island \$38,696.

Indian chap wants to serve his pal's jail sentence so the latter can get married. And he calls himself a friend!

Practically all of nature's sounds seem now to have been utilized by our musical contemporaries, except the purr of the oil heater.

Florida is opening for the new season, most of the palm trees having been taken out of their plaster casts and splints.

We have an idea that when we are able to see over the telephone there won't be so much early morning conversation between the women.

Funeral Service Sunday

The funeral service in the death of Mrs. Mahala Louisa Chase whose death occurred in North Devon is to take place at 2.30 Sunday afternoon. Rev. F. H. Holmes will officiate. The body will be taken by rail Monday morning to Lakeville Corner where interment will be made. Service will be held in the United Church there on the arrival of the train.

Mrs. A. D. Taylor of Minto is a guest at the Queen.

DIED

CHAMBERS—At Barker's Point, January 8, Lavina Chambers wife of George Chambers. Funeral Monday morning with High Mass at nine o'clock at St. Anthony's Church, Devon. Interment at Chelmsford, N. B.

CHASE—At her home in North Devon, January 7, Mrs. Mahala Louisa Chase. Funeral Sunday afternoon with service at 2.30 by Rev. F. H. Holmes. The body will be taken Monday morning by rail to Lakeville Corner. Service there in United Church on arrival. Interment at Lakeville Corner.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

We have it upon pretty good authority that human nature will not change during 1927.

There is every reason to believe the way of transgressors will continue hard indefinitely.

One can't help wondering who will be the most conspicuous rich old fool of 1927.

Here we are in a new year and the question of abolishing hell hasn't been settled yet.

There is nothing funny in strange names as a rule, but Montana has a school teacher named Spank.

Helping the farmer without hitting the consumer is going to require extraordinary marksmanship.

When a dog leaves a bunch of boys as if he were ashamed of the human race, it is a sign that they have been treating him like a dog.

Some folks seem to think common sense isn't fancy enough for them, because poor people can afford it.

Sunspots indicate war. In two years says a Russian scientist. The problem is to find a way to knock the spots off the sun.

A few toys are good for a child. Many toys are not so good for the child's father. If he misses one there is the danger that he will fall over another.

PUBLIC OPINION

THE CITY TRAFFIC LAWS.

The Editor of The Mail, Dear Sir—It would not be a bad idea for you to publish, in "serial" form, the Traffic Laws of the City of Fredericton, for the guidance of and for the protection of the general public.

Many people do not seem to know that horses should not be left standing unattended unless secured sufficiently by a horse-weight or a strap, etc. Again, others know, but don't care; such people are candidates for the police court and an example should occasionally be made. We pay for protection.

Vehicular traffic, as well as the liquor traffic, needs the attention of the guardians of the Law in this Town, Winter and Summer. Now, at the beginning of a new year, is a very good time to start an offensive against the enemy of the people, Traffic Law violators.

Yours truly, STERLING BRANNEN. Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 7th, 1927.

WEEK-END MARKET.

Produce Plentiful Price Firm—Meats Are Plentiful.

There was a fair-sized country market at the Phoenix Square this morning. Pork and beef were very plentiful. Eggs also were abundant and sold for sixty and sixty-five cents per dozen. Prices ruled as follows:

Pork, per lb., 16 to 18 cents. Beef, per lb., 7 to 9 cents. Lamb, per lb., 18 to 22 cents. Veal, per lb., 10 cents. Chicken, per lb., 40 to 50 cents. Fowl, per lb., 35 cents. Butter, per lb., 40 cents. Eggs, per doz., 60 to 65 cents. Mackintosh apples, per bbl., \$6.

FOR SALE

January 5th, 1927. The Municipality of York will offer for sale one Registered Holstein Bull Calf, one month old, from the Dickie Exhibition Stock. This calf is offered to any farmer or society in York County. All bids for this calf must be handed into the Secretary-Treasurer's Office, County Court House, Fredericton, on or before 5 o'clock, January 15th, 1927.

J. S. SCOTT, Sec'y-Treas. Municipality of York.

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FOUND—A military cross belonging to a member of the C. E. F. Owner can have the same on applying to F. H. Ferguson, Brunswick Street.

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