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MESSAGE TO YOUNG MEN.

"After a long life I shall remind you that already many problems rise before you; problems of race division, problems of creed differences, problems of economic conflict, problems of national duty and national aspiration. Let me tell you that for the solution of these problems you have a safe guide, an unerring light, if you remember that faith is better than doubt, and love is better than hate.

"Banish doubt and hate from your life. Let your souls be ever open to the strong promptings of faith and the gentle influence of brotherly love. Be adamant against the haughty; be gentle and kind to the weak. Let your aim and your purpose, in good report or in ill, in victory or in defeat, be so to live, so to strive, so to serve as to do your part to raise the standard of life to higher and better spheres."—Sir Wilfrid Laurier at London, Ont.

PROTECTION FOR CHILDREN.

It is indeed fitting that Christmas day should be given over to the child and to the home, and be observed, as it is, by family reunions, and by the strengthening of those ties of affection and friendship, and by the development of those tender feelings and attitudes that cement individuals into a firm social life. In this we are true to the spirit of Jesus with his sympathy for the weak and helpless and with his reverence and affection for the little child. It is a hopeful sign of our age that it is losing to a degree the brutal indifference toward children and is coming to regard them in the spirit of Him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

This increased interest in and attention upon children is manifest in many movements for their betterment, none of which has shown greater fruitfulness than that concerned with physical health. The rapid lowering of infant and child death rates during the last fifty years has been brought about by improvements in tenements, by supervision over water, milk and other food, by protection from the evils of poverty and ignorance, by preventing the breeding and spread of the germs of contagious diseases, and by general supervision of the physical conditions surrounding early life. At the present moment attention is focused upon this important problem in Great Britain and it is being urged that by removing the perils that still surround child life the death rate can yet be so greatly reduced as to be compensable in considerable degree for the great loss of manhood due to the war. This is a matter to which our own city and province might well give far more careful attention.

The organization of the juvenile court, with its houses of detention, its probate system, industrial schools, indeterminate sentence and parole methods, is another evidence of kindly interest in young life. The immature delinquent is no longer treated as an adult criminal, to be tried in the same court and housed in the same prison, and thereby schooled in criminality; but he is taken from improper homes and associates and under adequate discipline and education is trained for useful citizenship. So successful is such treatment that more than 75 per cent. of these delinquents are transformed into good citizens.

The lot of defective children has also been made much happier through schools for the blind, the deaf and dumb, and other social efforts for their welfare. But much more can be done as in some places defective children are yet sent to almshouses and treated as adult paupers.

Neglected and ill-used children are finding some protection and championship in increased social interest and activity. Some are orphans, some have lost one parent, and suffer through poverty or by neglect. It is unfortunately true that children of some of our soldiers now serving at the front are being neglected by their mothers and are in need of protective hand help. Then there are the ill-used or viciously trained children of degenerate or criminal parents; and, saddest of all, is the case of the illegitimate, neglected, unpitied and friendless in the cold world.

Recently there was organized in the city a Children's Aid Society for the protection and care of neglected and unfortunate children. The police magistrate is vitally and sympathetically interested in children and is co-operating with the society for their welfare and happiness. In the treatment of delinquents he has given the community most of the advantage of the juvenile methods, and certainly under his jurisdiction children are receiving more

humane and thoughtful treatment than the city has ever before provided. The Aid Society has already a detention home, and is supplying neglected children with wholesome food, proper clothing, and finding for them foster homes, and in general is exercising careful supervision over them. A movement of this kind should receive the hearty co-operation of all citizens. All cases of children coming under the jurisdiction of the Aid Society should be reported at once to Miss Jean Cooper, the agent of the organization. It would be an admirable Christmas present to these children to forward the membership fee to the treasurer of the society and to co-operate with it another year for the welfare and happiness of these little ones. Let us remember the words of Him whose birthday we yesterday commemorated: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my little ones, ye have done it unto me."

The public statement by Mr. Armand Lavergne that both he and Bourassa were once offered portfolios in the Borden cabinet stands uncontradicted. Here is what Mr. Lavergne said in an address at St. Stanislaus, Quebec, on Nov. 7th, 1915: "If I had wanted to be a cabinet minister I could have been one four years before Mr. Blondin. The late Mr. Monk, of Quebec, offered Mr. Bourassa and myself portfolios. We refused, for we wanted to be free men. They wanted to know then in what way they could recompense me, whether with money or with a position, but I told them my reward was to have them keep their word of honor. They have not done so." At last accounts Bourassa and Lavergne were still at large in Quebec, preaching the vicious doctrines of the Nationalists, and doing all in their power to discourage recruiting. The Borden Government, being mindful of the service rendered to the Conservative cause by Bourassa and Lavergne in 1911, has taken no steps to muzzle or suppress them.

The train service during Christmas week so far as this city is concerned was probably the worst on record. The C. P. R. was by long odds the worst offender. Its trains were seldom on time and often were from two to six hours late. The irregularity of trains demoralized the mail service at the Fredericton post office, and there was a lot of grumbling in consequence. Of course traffic was heavy during Christmas week, but this does not justify the railway authorities in giving the public such a punk service. Like the rest of us, they knew that Christmas was coming, and encouraged a big traffic by giving special holiday rates. The railway got the business, but when it came to handling it, fell down on the job good and hard.

About the only sufferers from President Wilson's peace note to the Allies were the margin traders in stocks on the New York exchange. They were hard hit by the slump which followed, while the professional traders, who were on the short side of the market, made a big haul.

Probably one of the first acts of the new Liberal government of British Columbia will be to recall Sir Richard McBride, who is now holding down a \$15,000 a year job as Agent General in London.

PRESIDENTS' RINKS WON FROM VICE PRESIDENTS'

Yesterday on excellent ice the Fredericton curlers played the first round of the annual match, President versus Vice-President. Six rinks a side played in the morning and afternoon, those of the President winning, 78 to 56. The score by skips was as follows:

Morning.	
H. B. Colwell..... 18	F. G. Vanwart 11
H. H. Hagerman..... 10	J. A. Hughes 8
H. V. B. Bridges..... 12	L. C. Macnutt 5
40	24
Afternoon.	
R. F. Randolph..... 13	J. H. Hawthorn 6
F. P. Hatt..... 20	H. E. Fowler..... 9
W. S. Thomas..... 5	N. Dougherty 17
38	32

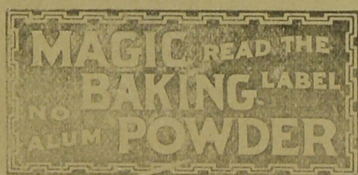
PERSONAL.

Mr. Charles Murray, of Roxbury, Mass., spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Joseph Murray, Queen street, who has been seriously ill.

Dr. C. R. Fletcher, of New York, arrived here on Saturday to spend the Christmas season with relatives.

Mr. E. R. Macnutt, barrister, of Halifax, is spending the holidays at his home here.

Mr. J. A. Edwards, of Halifax, arrived here yesterday to spend the holidays.



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It is now the annual occasion for that immortal and unexpressed couplet—Oh, the snow, the beautiful snow, It whitens the earth like a well-known brand of scouring soap.

"Desperate Desmond," Fredericton's new motor truck, is now flourishing around the frozen streets, painting the town red, as it were—just as though half a foot or so of soft snow couldn't turn it into a stick-in-the-mud.

Steffanson seems to be having a good deal of trouble with those Eskimos, but if he'd asked our advice in time we could have told him to keep away from blondes of any description.

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Marine Pfd.....	86 1/2
Union Pac.....	147 1/2
U. S. Steel.....	107
Air Brake.....	179
Kenn.....	45
Marine Com.....	25½
Reading.....	104½
Rubber.....	61
Studebaker.....	112½
Wool.....	50

MONTREAL.	
Civic.....	80
Detroit.....	125½
Quebec.....	31½
Toronto.....	74
Braz.....	45
Cement.....	60
Iron.....	67
Steel Co.....	63½
Spanish.....	16
Shaw.....	129
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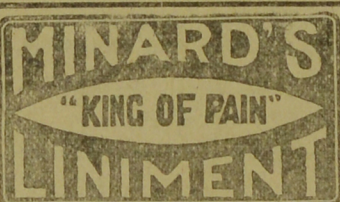
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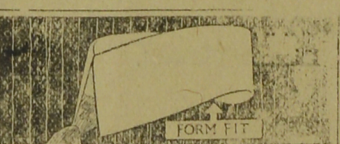
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