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MAKES A CONFESSION.

In his last will and testament, Henry Arthur Jones, the famous British playwright, makes a frank confession. It is that he sometimes wrote to please the great public rather than to satisfy his artistic nature. He deplores the fact that much of his inferior work proved to be popular and profitable, while some of his finest plays met with failure and condemnation. Hence he succumbed and offered productions below the level of his aspirations in order "to capture that wide and popular approbation without which no dramatist can hope for influence and authority."

It was the brutality outspoken Samuel Johnson who once declared that the man who wrote except for money was a fool. That is a pretty sweeping statement, but it contains within it self more than a germ of truth. Every man who is worth his salt tries to give the best that is in him; but there are times—and they come pretty often—when he has to yield his own judgment to that of the multitude he is trying to please. And in the end it is safe to say that few of the things worth while are likely to perish or remain unknown to the world.

AN IDEAL WORLD.

Henry Ford, one of the most successful men of his day and generation, complains that reporters "write too much light stuff." Yet on the very day on which this statement was made we learn of a new book written by the famous manufacturer in which he pictures a perfectly dry world, with tobacco thrown into the discard and everything performed by machinery.

There is no doubt that invention and science are doing much to end the drudgery of every-day life, but we may be permitted to be a trifle skeptical at the suggestion that hard work is going to be a thing of the past. Many of us have adapted ourselves to the prohibition law, but the suggestion that we may later be deprived of the solace of tobacco is too terrifying to be taken with equanimity. We confess to a liking for Mr. Ford; and on the strength of this may we not beg of him not to be too severe with all of the little pleasures which go to make life endurable?

THE CRADLE DAYS.

The hush-a-bye days are gone forever. Two Toronto university teachers have been investigating the sleep habits of children. Few children pass into the land of nod to the soothing croon of a lullaby. And cradle rocking age is past. Science has no regrets but the memories of old songs when the dark came down will linger.

We learn from these experienced sleep investigators that "sleeping in the daytime has no effect on the night sleep of infants, but too much daytime sleep interferes with the night rest of older children. Between the third and fourth year of life the child should not be permitted to sleep longer than about one and a half hours in the daytime. More than this not only interferes with night rest, but also deprives the child of fresh air and play activity that he needs."

If H. J. Logan, ex-M. P., for Cumberland, N. S., is willing to accept the senatorship vacated by the death of Hon. W. B. Ross it should be his without asking. Mr. Logan was first elected to parliament in 1896, and has been fighting the battles of the Liberal party ever since. He is a man of great ability, but through force of circumstances he never got beyond the status of a back bencher. In New Brunswick senatorships are won much easier than is the case in the sister province. The principal qualifications in this province for a seat in the red chamber appear to be inability to win an election, incapacity for leadership,

failure to keep promises and others too numerous to mention.

A statement given out by the N. B. Liquor Control Board, shows that the net profit of the Government liquor stores for the fiscal year ending October 31st was \$11,042,923.32. The total volume of business was \$3,562,367, and the percentage of profit is given at 29.2 p. c. The figures given out do not cover a full year as in three of the large counties of the province the stores did not open until late in December, 1927. A profit of a little better than a million dollars is not a surprising matter considering that a former government was able to make a clean up of half a million in one year under prohibition and the vendor system.

Sir Herbert Holt, president of the Royal Bank of Canada in the course of an address delivered to the stockholders of that institution, pointed out that from 1922 to 1926 the exports of Canada had increased by 73 per cent. He quoted figures to show that the total was \$740,000,000 in 1922 and \$1,315,000,000 in 1926. Put into plain English this simply means that Canadians are the most industrious people on the face of God's earth. The only portion of the Maritimes which did not share in the general prosperity of the country last year

"Perhaps no higher word in praise of the bridegroom can be given than to say that the bride's parents were content to accept him as a son-in-law," remarks the Great Bend (Kan.) Tribune. Parents of today have waxed philosophical. They know better than anyone else that in the long run any other attitude would not make any material difference so far as his becoming a son-in-law is concerned.

Moncton Times: Nova Scotia has a Conservative Government and Prince Edward Island a Liberal Government. Both provinces have prohibition and in each province enforcement of the law is declared a mockery.

What ever became of the old-fashioned swell obituary in which the cause of demise was given as "infirmities incident to the deceased's advanced years"?

Who remember the old-fashioned household hint to the effect that if newspapers were rumpled until soft they were fine to clean lamp chimneys?

A London thief took tubes of flu germs from a doctor's car, and is now about in the position of the pedestrian who learns he has the right of way.

When those scientists succeed in making wood edible we presume well-seasoned lumber will take on added value.

Little Willy's theory is that there is less static in the radio on a cold morning because it all goes into the bathroom comb.

Another diet regime seems to have gone wrong: A lady in grand opera is claiming that a full figure and a full voice go together.

A house has been built in France which turns on a pivot. Thus you get the feeling of a New Year's party without the expense.

While it is hard thing to say, the Office Cynic thinks a generation can be pretty well judged by the one it leaves.

Personally, we do not remember ever having heard of a big-hearted slot machine.

It is almost as cold as one of those "winterless winters."

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. A. Murray are spending a few days in Montreal and are guests at the Windsor Hotel.

Hon. B. Frank Smith, M. L. A., of East Florenceville, Conservative organizer, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lawson have gone on a trip to Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stewart Neill have gone on a trip to New York.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Hope springs eternal but springs farthest in spring.

Kisses antedate the germ theory by many centuries.

When the temperature reaches zero a few degrees below don't matter much.

It's never safe to laugh at the weather bureau until forty-eight hours after the forecast.

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine says Proverbs. A medicine that is easy to take.

Also for the comic strip artists! The radio is giving the public much of their best stuff before they have had time to pictorialize it.

One-way communication with the spirit world is striking unsatisfactory. How much better it would be if one could ask Houdini if he has learned any new tricks.

Hi Slocum says that this is a swift age, and that he noticed the announcement of the engagement of a young man to two different young ladies, and all within the same week.

MARSHAL FOCH HAD GOOD NIGHT

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Paris, Jan. 19.—Marshall Ferdinand Foch, suffering from a complication of heart attacks and uremia, passed an excellent night, Mre. Foch told the United Press today.

His Sister Dead.

Mr. J. Fred Payne of Lincoln, Clerk Assistant of the Legislature, received word today of the death at Marion, Mass., of his sister, Mrs. S. B. Yates-Clifton. Her death resulted from an attack of pneumonia and was quite unexpected. The deceased was the only daughter of the late Mr. Robert Payne, for many years a member of the staff of the Saint John Sun. She was well known in this city and news of her demise will be deeply regretted. A husband and one son survive.

Has Returned Home

Mr. H. J. Logan, ex-M. P. who went to the West Indies on the steamship Lady Nelson, and stopped over at Bermuda, while on the return trip to visit Ex-Governor J. R. Douglass of Nova Scotia, arrived in New York on Thursday, Mr. Logan, who is the father of the West Indies Treaty says that the prospects of building up a profitable trade with our sister colonies are very hopeful.

DIED

BOYD—At the home of her daughter Aberdeen Street, Mrs. Francis E. Boyd, widow of David Boyd (aged seventy-eight years.

Funeral Sunday afternoon with service at the late home at three o'clock by Rev. D. C. Kaine assisted by Rev. M. H. Mason. Interment at Douglas.

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Rev. Gordon C. Warren, D. D. pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school with classes for all ages at 2.30 p. m.

Wilmot United Church
Rev. F. H. Holmes, M. A. pastor. Services 11 a. m.; subject "Spiritual Equipment", 7 p. m. subject, "Installation Service" for Sunday School officers and teachers; Sunday School at 2.30 p. m. A Welcome to All.

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