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MONOTONOUS JOBS.

Samuel Gompers head of the American Federation of Labor, makes a just criticism of one of the tendencies of modern industry. This tendency is that of transforming work in which men have hitherto put their hearts into what Mr. Gompers calls "mere toil," suppressing initiative, controlling individualism by hard and fast mechanics, deciding to extreme minuteness just how a task shall be performed.

"It is the deadly monotonous or repetitive work that is at the root of most of our troubles," said Mr. Gompers.

A great deal of the machinery whose running is monotonous is simply at a stage short of automatic machinery. Another step and the machinery performs virtually all the work except its own superintending. It is scarcely worth while to ask engineers to hurry up the process toward automatic machinery because that is what they have their minds upon as much as anything else.

Yet some mechanical appliances must always require this tiresome, repetitive work. There is no substitute in such cases for the worker's brains. The problem of overcoming deadly monotony must be attacked by other means than engineering ingenuity. The task is for factory and office organizers—the institution of relief from endless repetition, systems of changing jobs, methods of alternating workers. It may be a good thing to have men in a mill who have developed to the highest the art of feeding steel plates to rollers or to have in an office girls who have mastered completely the work of running adding machines. But it does not mean a poor turn to make men and women one-sided, to restrict their capabilities within narrow lines.

The chief characteristic of modern industry is its habit of changing. If it is not one of its merits, it at least proves a hopeful sign. The monotonous jobs, now so evident and so loudly complained against, may disappear shortly just as the automobile engine you reached by "getting out and getting under" gave way to one reached conveniently from the top.

THE LUST OF WEALTH.

The discovery of oil in the Mackenzie basin in northwestern Canada has started a spectacular rush of hundreds of prospectors to the region says an American exchange.

Memories of the old days of the gold rush to Alaska have been revived and the Canadian government has taken steps to prevent scores of adventurers from perishing from the rigors of an Arctic winter. Only men who are in first class physical condition and who are adequately supplied with "grub" will be permitted to undertake the long, perilous overland trip. Hundreds perhaps thousands, from the United States and Canada died trying to reach Alaska twenty-four years ago when the Yukon excitement was at its height. Men with no experience in far northern climes and little realization of the arduous handicaps which vast distances and extreme temperatures would place in their way came to a miserable end this side of the wealth that lay locked in the Alaskan wilderness.

Canada is trying to prevent a repetition of that useless sacrifice of life in the stampede to the Mackenzie river country.

It is well that the government has taken a hand, for men inflamed with the lust for wealth have ever risked their lives lightly in their blind eagerness for treasure.

Sis has gone
and named me

Post
TOASTIES
'cause I'm always
so Good and Fresh

—says Bobby

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Flakes

Friends of Mr. John Anderson, ex-M. P. P. of The Barony will unite heartily with The Mail in extending congratulations to him on his ninety-ninth birthday. Mr. Anderson is the grand old man of the County of York. All his life he has been a resident of this County and has done his part in the development of its natural resources. Some years ago he represented the County in the Provincial Legislature and rendered good service in that capacity. In the section of the County where he lives Mr. Anderson's name is a household word. He will be showered with congratulations on his ninety-ninth birthday and his friends earnestly hope that he will be spared to round out the century.

While the returns from the provincial elections in British Columbia are still incomplete it looks as if the Liberal Government led by Hon. John Oliver had been sustained by a good working majority. The Premier was elected in the constituencies and all of his ministers appear to have been returned. There were many independent candidates in the field including United Farmers and labor men, but they do not seem to have been as successful as anticipated. The Conservatives under the leadership of Hon. W. J. Bowser, a former New Brunswicker put up a good fight and will be stronger in the next House.

London Daily Chronicle: Adolphe Babu, who for some purpose of his own has been deceiving people into believing that he was deaf and dumb, met his Nemesis at Dijon in the person of an examining magistrate, who suddenly crashed an inkwell onto the floor and caused Babu to give unmistakable proof that he clearly heard the noise. The prisoner then bragged how he had deceived various military authorities, adding: "Judges certainly have more of the wisdom of Solomon than army doctors."

Muskat farming has given formerly worthless Maryland marshland a value of \$30 to \$40 an acre. The hides are sold to furriers and the carcasses are sold at twenty-five to thirty cents apiece of meat. They are considered a delicacy in some hotels.

Hartford Observer: Cheer up! All is not lost. Civilization, we admit, has been sorely cramped, but the world is dotted with many Christian nations—and a few Christians.

Grain prices continue to drop in the Chicago market. On Saturday last December wheat sold down to 154½, December oats at 44½, and December corn at 65½.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Now we're on the down grade to Christmas.

Lenine is finding out that idealism doesn't satisfy hunger.

Women dress for the admiration of men and the envy of women.

"Get a goat," says the Chicago health department. But it doesn't say whose.

Something is wrong. Winter is approaching and no one has predicted a flu epidemic.

At this time of year cold waves can be predicted with considerable confidence.

There are girls who wouldn't let their little narrow minds think of heaven where fur coats could not be worn.

One way to make a lifelong friend is to ask an acquaintance who is wearing a third term overcoat where he got his new coat.

Many a person dreams of burglars breaking in the house and wakes up to find that it's only the girl next door playing jazz for the benefit of her beau.

FROM THE PEOPLE

F'ron N. B., Nov. 30, 1920.

To the Editor of the Daily Mail:

Dear Sir:—It is not necessary for me to go into details or round about. If anybody wants to question or doubts that I, David Ross, am not the one who was born in Rosshire, Scotland, forty-four years ago, left Forfarshire about nineteen years ago, came to old Virginia, U. S. A., have travelled over Canada, left Victoria, B. C., six years past, started farming two years ago in Union Settlement, Young's Cove, Quaker's County, N. B., exchanged the farm for one at Narrows, Cambridge, held the same till last spring, spent thirteen months in St. John and visited St. Stephen last winter, was in Nova Scotia a month and have been here about three months, or that I am not the one who wrote those private letters to priests, ministers and others, all that is required is to put the matter in the hands of a barrister-at-law.

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JOHN ANDERSON
IS NINETY-NINE
YEARS OF AGE

(Continued From Page Eight.) and astonished all by the vigor with which he replied to the cheerful messages of good will.

Has Worked Hard

Besides operating a large farm at The Barony Mr. Anderson for many years carried on extensive lumbering operations on the St. John River and tributaries. Hard work seemed to agree with him and even after he had passed the four score mark he drove lumber rafts from his home to Springhill. He is a staunch Liberal in politics and an alder of the Presbyterian Church. He ran for the Legislature in 1890 on a ticket headed by the late Hon. A. G. Blair and was elected. At a bye election the same year he was again elected, but suffered defeat on the Bathurst School Question in 1892 and retired from public life. It was a matter of deep regret to him that at the late election physical infirmities prevented him from going to the polls and casting his vote for the Foster Government. It was the first political contest in seventy five years in which he had failed to take an active part.

Mr. Anderson's general health continues remarkably good for one of his advanced years. His appetite is good, he sleeps well and his son and daughter-in-law with whom he makes his home, see to it that he has the very best of care. It will be a matter for surprise to his family and friends if he does not round out the century.

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AIRSHIPS IN
BOOZE GAME

Winnipeg, Dec. 1.—Airplanes are being used constantly by members of the alleged crime trust which police believe has its headquarters in Winnipeg to smuggle liquor and other goods across the border, the Tribune declares it learned today.

The Tribune story continues: "The mounted police and customs department officials' campaign against the smugglers is proceeding with great energy. With the last two months forty-four automobiles have been seized while actually engaged in the running of liquor and smuggling of other goods.

"The officials are now in possession of full evidence proving most thorough and costly organization on the part of the law-breakers, even to the extent that American smugglers have been and are guaranteed by certain liquor dealers and boot-leggers against interference by Canadian law, so that when smugglers are captured the liquor people with whom they do business in Manitoba pay the penalties."

A CANADIAN
HONORED

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Paris, Nov. 23.—R. M. Hardie, the representative in France of the Canadian Red Cross, has been created a Knight of the Legion of Honor by de-

creed at the instance of the Minister of War in recognition of his services to France during the war.

E. S. Carter of Rothesay is in the city.

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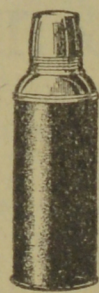
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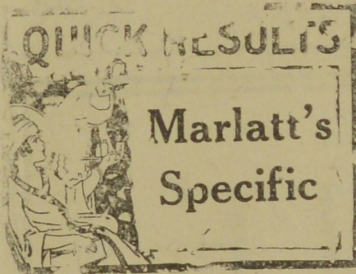
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