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## THE DOG DAYS.

These are dog days. The chief advantage of dog days is that one may enjoy them without owning a dog.

Dog days have nothing to do with dogs. As matters stand now, dog days have nothing to do with anything in particular.

Anciently wise men observed that for a considerable period in the summer the big star, Sirius, called the dog star, rose shortly before the rising of the sun. They called those days dog days and they thought that the hot weather was due to the fact that the sun and the big star were working together.

This, like a great many other conclusions of wise men, ancient and modern, was all wrong. If the earth depended for its heat upon the dog star, the ice cream business would be ruined. The dog star is hot enough, but it is too far off. If the dog star should go out of business this evening, nobody on earth would get the news for eight years. The light that he has been turning out for the past eight years would keep right on coming and would create the illusion that he was still on the job. That's how remote the dog star is. Forty-seven trillion miles is too far to operate a central heating system satisfactorily.

But even the dog star can beg off from the charge of making dog days hot. The dog star no longer rises with the sun during dog days. This is due to what is called the precession of the equinoxes, another word for the wobbling of the earth's axis. It is calculated that after about 25,800 years this matter of the dog star and dog days will be righted again, but a good many dogs will have had their day before that.

## STANDARD OF VALUES.

Three witnesses in a Florida land deal that got into court testify to the value of a piece of property. One says the land is worth \$2,000 an acre; another says \$5,000 an acre; the third says \$10,000 an acre. That is not so curious as it sounds. There is no standard of values among us all—whether we are talking about land or jewelry, houses, pictures or jobs. One of the interesting things about the human being is that he is a positive creature—wanting some things very much, caring nothing about other things. The value is determined by the height and depth of his desire. Because we are that way the world is very much less dull—much more adventurous—than it otherwise would be.

Your friends tell you that you are crazy to pay \$500 for that little picture. It is not that you are crazy but that they are poor students of human nature. So we make our own values, and we are fortunate indeed when we want things that prove good for us.

A London dispatch says that the British public have been shocked and distressed over a cruel hoax pulled off by one Frank Power, a newspaper man in connection with the tragic death of Lord Kitchener. Power, who has been retailing a lot of fiction, concerning the death of Kitchener, recently put forward the claim that the body of the great soldier had been found in Norway. He went further and procured the coffin purporting to contain the remains and had it brought to London. The coffin was opened yesterday and was found to be empty. The police are now said to be looking for Power, the originator of the hoax.

Mussolini, Italian dictator, wise in some things, falls in others. He chooses to ignore human nature—its odd turns and quirks and vanities. His latest law eliminates honors for individuals and all public ceremonies for the purpose of paying tribute to any one man. Napoleon, smarter than Mussolini, knew that the human being loves glory. He provided high places for those who followed him.

Don't undervalue the power of words. Girls with red hair used to be called red-headed. Sometimes they were laughed at or pitied. Then somebody who knew the value of words and phrases called red hair Titian. It was only a step—a step of words—from red-headed girls to Titian-haired beauties. Now, instead of being laughed at, they are envied.

Alexander Kerensky observes that "any revolt which will rid Russia of the dangerous dictatorship of the Soviets will have our whole-hearted co-operation and sympathy." As Kerensky made his declaration in Paris we gather his co-operation will consist largely of sympathy.

A Long Island preacher states that "64 per cent. of the young people of today are dishonest and the majority of young women are immodest, leading them into immortality." We sometimes wonder what sort of people these preachers, who find only bad in the world, associate with as a rule.

Both parties now have candidates in the field in all of the fourteen Nova Scotia constituencies. There will be a three cornered fight in Cape Breton where Mr. D. W. Morrison, a former member of the Legislature, has been chosen as a Labor candidate.

A Bridgeport, Connecticut, paper states that "as rapidly as James McIntosh learns the identity of the women he married while suffering from amnesia, he is seeking annulments," which indicates that he is fully awake now, anyway.

Hon. J. A. Robb, former Minister of Finance in the King cabinet addressed a political meeting in Campbellton last night and Hon. Charles A. Dunning, former Minister of Railways, spoke at Moncton.

Astronomer who comes out with the statement that the sun has capacity for fifteen trillion years more evidently isn't timing his remarks to give them the advantage of the greatest popular appeal.

Because Italy is prolific and desires to remain prolific, Mussolini argues it must have room to expand, which seems about as good a reason as any other for swiping some other nation's territory.

There is nothing surprising in Glenn Frank's statement that he has learned more about the human race from his boy than he has from books. There is something grandly human about an upstanding, normal boy.

Polling in the Federal election takes place in exactly four weeks from today. The candidates who have taken the field in this province are hard at work but so far nobody has got hot under the collar.

The popularity of the motor may be a great saving on footwear, but it isn't real economy. What we don't spend on shoes for ourselves goes into shoes for the car.

A New York woman claims she saved \$700 in four months by not wearing stockings. She probably figures she didn't spend that much because she had no place to carry it around.

Isless refrigeration in the Long Ago consisted on hanging the bottle or pail down the well.

When a man begins to stall on his payments, he may be making too many payments on instalments.

The big difficulty in compiling a history is trying to decide whose prejudices to accept.

There are two sides to every question, except in a French political crisis, in which case there are seven.

A gentleman is a person who feigns interest in his partner's lost golf ball.

Swallows in Convocation. The attention of many who were in the lower part of Queen street early Sunday night was attracted by a gathering of swallows which included hundreds of the birds. They flew over the County Court House in a huge circle for a long time. For several minutes the birds would circle in one way. Then a few leaders would break off and reverse the flight and soon the circle would travel in the opposite direction. Darkness put an end to the flight. The opinion was that the birds were preparing for the flight southward and were holding a convocation in that connection.

Bitten by His Dog. "Happy Sam" Diamond who was here last week on his cycle tour of the world, was bitten by his dog at Saint John, Saturday. The injury was slight and was dressed at the General Public Hospital.

Visiting Former Home. Rev. Charles T. Boyd of the staff of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Saint John, officiated at mass at 19.30 Sunday morning at St. Dunstan's Church. Rev. Father Boyd is visiting his mother in this city.

## THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Nobody enjoys spooning except the spooners.

There are signs of another Vesuvius eruption. Mussolini may have ordered it.

Indiana reports a hen's egg eight inches in diameter. This calls for larger hailstones.

To get the full joy of living it must be shared with others. Happiness is a 50-50 proposition.

Lima Beane thinks the fearful pessimist's morning prayer should be: Give us this day our daily dread.

Every time a forward step is taken in behalf of humanity it is necessary first to kick opposition out of the way.

"Some women are like the children of the comic strips," remarked the Man on the Car, "the same age today as they were last year."

In this free country we are so independent that most of us do what others do and wear the kind of clothes others wear, rarely daring to depart from the customs of the time.

Irene Castle expresses regret that she started the bobbed-hair fad, because it has brought about boy bobs and other ridiculous cuts. But she shouldn't worry. Nothing has appeared yet that is half as ridiculous as the chignons and waterfalls of years ago.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Hon. L. P. D. Tilley of Saint John is a guest at the Barker House.

Hon. E. A. Reilly of Moncton is registered at the Queen.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Wing of Palo Alto, Cal., and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Phipps Ross of St. Andrew's N. B., are at the Barker House. They are motoring.

Mr. F. J. Robidoux of Shediac a member of the Power Commission is in the city.

Mr. E. A. Schofield of The Schofield Paper Company of Saint John a member of the N. B. Electric Power Commission is in the city.

Militia Orders. Units in this section of New Brunswick are affected by the following order recently gazetted:—William Stephen Neworth is appointed captain in the 2nd Reserve Battalion, Carleton Light Infantry; Lieut. A. W. Douglass is transferred as Provisional Lieutenant from the 7th Canadian Machine Gun Battalion on to the York Regt. James Alexander Christie is appointed quartermaster of the North Shore Regt. with the rank of lieutenant; Major G. Stead is appointed major in No. 7 Reserve Cyclist Company of the Corps of Guides.

School Inspectors' Conference. A conference of School Inspectors is to be held here on the 26th inst. Dr. W. S. Carter, Chief Supt. of Education, has summoned the conference. A number of topics affecting the schools are to be discussed.

## NOTICE TO ELECTORS

Registration in the Urban Division of Fredericton will begin on MONDAY, AUGUST 9TH.

and continue until SATURDAY, AUGUST 14TH.

At 9 p. m. All electors whose names are not on the Provincial Voters lists as prepared and published by the Revisors last December should see that their names are added by the Registrars to the Voters list which will be used at the forthcoming Dominion Election.

For all that portion of the City above the centre of Carleton Street, the polling place will be at or near City Hall. Persons living in that district will apply to Mr. A. C. Flemming at his residence, 379 Charlotte St. for registration.

For that portion of the City below the centre of Carleton Street, the polling place will be at the County Court House and residents of that district will apply to Mr. James H. Hawthorne, at his residence, 703 Brunswick St.

Every elector is requested to see that his or her name is on the voters' list.

Information regarding lists may be obtained from the Registrars at 61 Carleton St., Telephone No. 304, or at Conservative Headquarters (Old Board of Trade Rooms) 608 Queen St., Telephone No. 1029. Register Now.

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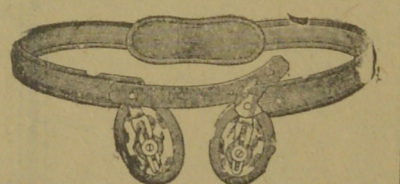
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