

The Advent of the Lady Bank Clerk is Now Foreshadowed

The Inducements Offered by Other Forms of Employment Are so much Greater than Those Offered by Banks, that Young Men Show Little Inclination to Join the Latter ---The Bank of Montreal Begins an Experiment.

(Montreal Herald)

Hail the woman bank clerk! (pronounced with a broad 'a' in place of an 'e'.)

The Bank of Montreal is experimenting with young women as junior bank clerks in its offices in Montreal. If the experiment proves a success—and the bank officials are confident that it will—the day of the male bank clerk is doomed.

Of course it will be some little time before the woman bank clerk rises to the dignity of cashier or teller, as even now it takes a youth in a bank some years to advance to these places. But since woman is endowed with greater patience than man, it is conceivable that within a few years we shall have not only the woman bank clerk, but the woman bank cashier, the woman bank president, the woman bank director—in fact, the woman banker herself.

Do the present day bankers fully realize the prospect that they are opening up for themselves? Can they not see the time approaching when they will be compelled by sheer necessity to go out and hustle for a day laborer's job in order to chase the wolf from the door?

PAINFUL POSSIBILITIES

Just fancy the humiliation that must follow when Sir Edward Clouston, for instance, has to apply to Supt. Janin of the Water Department for a job digging trenches, for the new water mains, or when Mr. Byron E. Walker is forced to turn caddy to earn a respectable living for his family!

But we are getting ahead of our story.

At present the young ladies employed in the Bank of Montreal confine their activities to operating the adding machines which total up the amount of the cheques you have drawn on your account during the month and which show you just how near you have come to creating an

overdraft. They also balance pass-books charge up the interest account, send out drafts for collection and perform other minor duties that usually fall to the lot of bank "junior."

PROSPERITY TO BLAME

The underlying cause back of the introduction of the girl bank clerk is to be found in Canada's unprecedented period of prosperity which Mr. Borden is trying to prove is all a mistake of the Liberal party. Young men won't become bank juniors at \$15 to \$20 a month and "bonus" when they can get almost as much by the week at some other occupation. "Juniors" are deserting the banks in shoals to become honest farmers, and plutocratic plumbers and what-not. Recruits are also hard to get. And all the while money is pouring into the banks like wheat through the hoppers of the Alberta elevators.

An advertisement for twenty-five bank clerks to come to Canada for service in the Western provinces, inserted in a London paper by the Bank of Montreal, brought only two clerks.

The Royal Bank of Canada has had to import at various times groups of hardy young Scotchmen who are used to living on oat groats at home and to whom "many a mickle makes a muckle." But even these hardy chaps, as soon as they get out to Western Canada and see the opportunities that are hanging on every bush, give up banking and run for the bushes.

The Dominion Bank of Canada is said to have suffered the desertion of not less than forty embryo bankers following the last "bonus" period. The "bonus" is an amount paid annually to those who serve through the year. Most of the clerks wait until the bonus day rolls around before turning in their resignations.

In some of the banks an order has gone forth cancelling the two-weeks' vacation allowance and men are working overtime.

Practically every live bank in Canada today is in need of young men who possess the necessary qualifications for a berth in a bank. And the young men are not forthcoming.

BANK EMPLOYEE'S VIEW

"Whether the girl experiment proves a success or not," said a man connected with one of Montreal's best known banks today, "the condition of things must work out to the benefit of the bank employees. The bank employee is much underpaid. While the pay of the qualified mechanic has gone up from \$1.50 a day, where it stood a few years ago, to \$3, \$4 and even \$5 a day, the young bank man's salary remains where it was. We get less than the average laborer. We work harder and accept responsibilities which mechanics and laborers and even young men in the professions know nothing about."

"The banks seem to think that the upward cost of living, which has affected everybody else, has overlooked the bank employee and that his rent, the clothes and his food cost him no more than they ever did. That's where they're mistaken. The reason young men shie at going into banking now is that the compensation is too small and the possibility of promotion too remote, as despite the lack of new men, the old men—the men who hold the desirable posts—cling to them like barnacles to a ship's side."

"The present condition of things can only result sooner or later in forcing the banks to take cognizance of these complaints and to pay salaries commensurate with the duties required. Then there'll be no difficulty in getting good men to enter the service and plenty of them."

"But what about the young women that are being trained in the meantime to take your places?" was asked.

"We're not worrying about them," he replied, "if the worse comes to the worst we'll marry 'em!"

MRS. MORSE SEES HER CHATTELS SOLD

But Her Great Grief is the Imprisonment of Her Husband in Atlanta to Obtain Whose Release She is Making Such Efforts.

New York, June 24.—The entire furnishings of the home of Mrs. Charles W. Morse, at No. 728 Fifth avenue, were placed on sale yesterday when an auctioneer began at the top of the house and asked for a bid on every object he laid hands on. The house was crowded all day, and when the sale closed, at 6 p.m., \$13,850 had been realized.

This morning the sale will be continued, when the furniture, art objects, etc., in the lower part of the house will also go under the hammer.

Mrs. Morse was present through the sale. Her son, Harry, just from Yale where he graduated this year, was with her. When asked which of the many hundred objects she was parting with was valued most from a sentimental point she answered:

HER ONE HOPE TO FREE HIM

"Mere furniture cannot arouse sympathy these days. For me there is only one sentiment—only one thing that interests—and the public knows full well this is."

She referred to her husband the convicted banker who is serving a term in the Atlanta penitentiary for the commission of a felony. She has fought heroically—tirelessly—in the interests of this man and now her one hope in life is to free him. The beautiful pictures, rugs, bedroom sets and other articles, all of which sold for such insignificant prices that the women present fairly gasped in amazement, failed to interest her—seemingly—at all. She sat in a little room off from the place where Mr. Clarke, the auctioneer, sang out the bids offered and was apparently the most uninterested person within sound of his voice.

But when the hammer fell upon her own particular belongings—articles in her bedroom, an exquisitely furnished room, done in rose brocade satin, it was evident that her heart nearly broke. Her jewel casket, a little ormolu case with perfume bottles, and her magnificent Venetian state bedstead, solid mahogany, with life-sized figures at the corners—were just a few of the articles there.

LIKE A "MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM"

The bedstead was purchased—for only \$750—by Mrs. Clarence M. Busch, of Great Neck, L. I. She and her husband bought in all, about \$8,000 worth of goods and after the sale for the day was closed she was asked for an interview.

"I have nothing to say, except that I think these articles for sale here are simply wonderful. It seems to me it is a midsummer night's dream, so cheap are they, and of such gorgeous quality. Who am I? Simply Mrs. Busch, of Great Neck, formerly Miss Melbourne." Some of the other articles, Mrs. Busch bought were a mahogany writing desk, \$88.50; mahogany Louis XVI, twin bedroom set, bureau toilet table, commode, chairs, taboret, \$940 and a massive bureau for \$62.

THE CANADIAN CENSUS

Ottawa, June 22.—The announcement that the Canadian census will be taken on June 1 next disposes of any hope of the census of the Empire being taken on the same day, at least for the next ten years. The suggestion was made in London on behalf of the British Government, which had selected April 22 as the date for the taking of the census next year, and it was understood that representations would be made to the governments of the dominions overseas to ask whether they would not agree to a simultaneous Empire census. But so far no such request has reached the Canadian Government. It is probable, however, that the matter will be discussed at the Imperial conference next year, and that an arrangement may be come to for a census of the Empire being taken on the same day in 1912.

Baking powder can be made in this way: One cup cream of tartar, one-half cup baking soda and three table-spoons soda sifted together 10 times.

track. The principal timber in the burned area is red jack and white pine.

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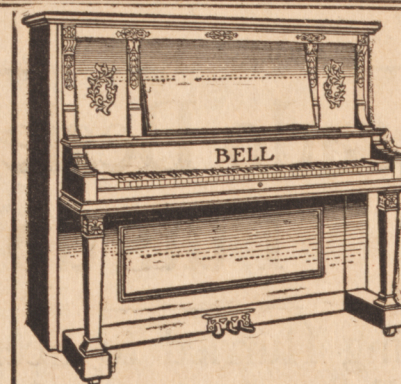
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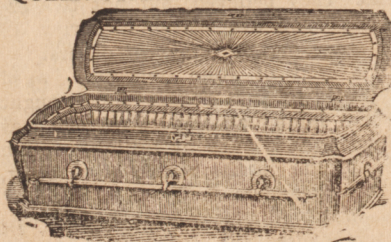
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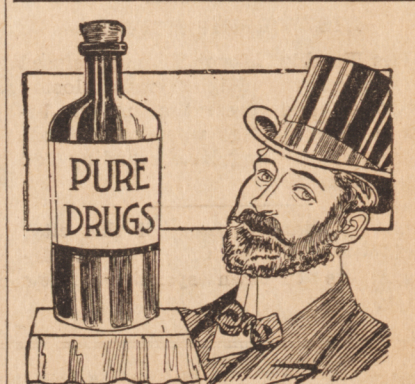
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ST. JOHN AS SEEN BY AN ONTARIO OBSERVER

(The following is from an Ontario paper. It is interesting reading, even if it is a little erratic)

ST. JOHN THE BUSY

The Winter Port Is Now a City of Life and Color

Unsophisticated and sloven, St. John by grace of its civic deities and the C.P.R. winter port of Canada, is a peculiar city, inhabited by a peculiar and chosen people. Somebody has called it the Cinderella of Canadian cities; but whether it was so called in anticipation of its possibilities as shadowed forth by Prince Pugsley or in recognition of its need of a new pair of slippers deponent saith not.

St. John is said to be the only city in Canada possessing a Royal Charter; and probably that is the reason why its character baffles analysis—why the more you know about its people the less you understand them! The spirit of the place is so elusive, or so complex, that the ordinary individual is usually at a loss. All accepted views of life, or standard of conduct, are here weighed in the balance and found wanting.

St. John prides itself on being a greater and more enterprising city than Halifax—and justly so. But the grey old Warden of the Honor of the North has at least one fine attribute—it is understandable. It is not "sleepless and veiled"; even Kipling got a bit mixed between St. John and Halifax. This description might be more appropriately applied to St. John.

Halifax is indolent and frank. St. John is always busy, its men of business and lawyers are almost invariably in their offices till 10 or 11 p.m.—and it never drops its mantle, its mask of dignity.

Halifax is a simple, hospitable soul. It never deals in conundrums—it never puzzles you with parables. It only presents one question to the stranger within its gates, and that question, first, last and all the time is: "What will you have?"

But St. John fairly bristles with interrogative points. And first it wants to know, "What is your faith?" But St. John is no mean city. It has a high and forward spirit, effervescence with energy and is boundlessly ambitious within the bounds of permitted aspirations.

Practically unaided it has converted its harbor—not so long ago a shallow estuary—into a worthy winter vestibule of a nation growing rapidly

SCRAPPING ALLOWED IN CALIFORNIA, BUT NOT FIGHTING

Los Angeles, Cal., June 5.—In spite of Governor Gillett's stand against prize fighting and his instructions to district attorney Frederickson to stop the fight last night between Abe Attell and Owen Moran, they fought ten rounds bout as scheduled. Attell receiving the newspaper decision. The district attorney did not interfere on the grounds that it was only a "sparring bout" strictly within the law and not a prize fight. It was a hair-line verdict with two close clever men in the ring, the bout could well have come under the designation of a "sparring contest," but they were strong on their feet at the finish however, and neither showed any marks of the combat. The only blood that was shed flowed from Moran's nose in one of the early rounds. There was much display of ill temper, and twice Moran was hooted for forgetting to stop when the gong sounded the end of the round. At the finish of the tenth, the Englishmen followed the feather-weight champion out of the ring with outstretched hand but Attell refused to grasp it.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS GOING UP IN SMOKE

Fort William, Ont., June 24.—Millions of dollars damage has been caused by forest fires in Atikokan district, where J. D. McArthur's lumber mill was destroyed by fire early in the week. In addition to the mill about 500,000 feet of lumber was destroyed. Two and a half miles west of Atikokan \$1,000,000 damage was done through the burning of timber berth No. 61, forty miles square in extent, the property of the F. Weyerhaeuser Company of St. Paul.

The Rat Portage Lumber Company at Eye River, fourteen miles west of Atikokan, lost all its dams and this rendered it unable to run the drives. This morning this firm also lost its camps and a larger amount of standing timber.

The Northern Construction Company's camps have also been destroyed. These people are the largest lumber operators in the district and employ in their camps from 500 to 600 men.

Fire is raging practically all the way from Atikokan to Fort Frances and in some places runs to a depth of fifteen miles from the C. N. R.