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Daily Selections for Guardian Readers

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THE PLACE GOD DWELLETH—For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the contrite ones.—Isa. 57:15.

PRAYER—"O make us worthy gracious Lord, Of all Thy love to be."

December 23, 1928

A SAD FACT—The wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.—Isa. 57:20.

PRAYER—Lord, incline our wills to Thine that we may ever live in Thee.

THE CAROL SINGERS OF CHRISTMASTIDE

The year has waned and nearly gone. But just before it dies away One tiny spark into a bright glow swells And lo! 'tis once more Christmas Day.

That one day of the year when all rejoice; It comes, 'tis gone, but still the thought remains. We cannot help but feel the spirit near. And life from that Day some joy retains.

The crisp snow glistens on the frosty earth; The merry sleigh-bells and the church bells ring; The little children waking early rise And carol after carol do they sing.

As did the shepherds in the silent fields On their first Christmas hear the angel throng; We, too, in memory, though 'tis long ago Repeat the same glad echoes in our song.

—By J. Wootton.

FOUR PRIZES ARE AWARDED FOR JEWELRY TRADE SLOGAN

Ten thousand one hundred and thirty-five suggestions for a slogan suitable for the jewelry trade were received by the Canadian Jewelers' Association in the competition which closed on November 30, and in which the awards were made recently.

The board of directors decided that the most valuable was submitted by Mrs. C. D. Truman of Winnipeg, who suggested "Let Jewelry Add The Finishing Touch," and to her was forwarded the handsome diamond ring of a retail value of \$1,000, offered as the capital prize.

Second place was won by Miss Jean Wilson, of Chesley, Ont. by the slogan "Give Jewelry—It Endures and Endures," which entitles her to a Colonial table, with a complete equipment of Community flatware, set and tray, valued at \$385.

Stock Quotations

HALIFAX, Dec. 21.—Quotations furnished by Johnston and Ward Members Montreal Stock Exchange.

NEW YORK EXCHANGE

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes American Can, Am Car & Foundry, Am Locomotive, etc.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes Abitibi, Montreal Power, National Breweries, etc.

BANKS

Table with 2 columns: Bank Name and Rate. Includes Bank Commerce, Bank Montreal.

WHEAT

Table with 2 columns: Month and Price. Includes Dec, Mar, May.

CORN

Table with 2 columns: Month and Price. Includes Dec, Mar, May.

OATS

Table with 2 columns: Month and Price. Includes Dec, Mar, May.

WHEAT

Table with 2 columns: Month and Price. Includes Dec, Mar, May.

THROUGH WITH PORTLAND

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 21.—Coincident with the inauguration, on December 10, of a new schedule of eastbound sailings from the port of Halifax, officials of the White Star line announced that their connection with Portland was at an end, and that the shipping previously done through the Maine port was in process of being transferred to Halifax.

The Baltic's clearance, on December 10, marking the opening of a new schedule of White Star—Cunard sailings, under an arrangement with the Canadian National Railways, whereby weekly sailings will be carried on by both lines from Halifax to Liverpool and London, makes certain the routing through Halifax of weekly cargoes, handled by these lines, of at least a thousand tons.

In connection with the inauguration of the new service, it was pointed out that the amount of shipping handled by the terminals here had risen from 6,000,000 tons in 1912 to 13,000,000 tons last year, and that with a new import and export services just beginning, the amount likely to be handled at this port this

AN ATTIC SALTSHAKER

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DID YOU ever hear the story of what happened to an enthusiast after reading Dickens' "The Tale of Two Cities?" It was a Saturday evening and he became so absorbed in the story that, despite his wife's urgings, he refused to go to bed until he had finished it.

IN THE small hours of Sunday he closed the book. The gullotining of Sydney Carton sent him to bed, thoroughly worked up in mind. A few hours later his wife took him to church. During a long prayer he dozed off and dreamed that the gullotine was about to fall on his neck. When the prayer ended and he remained on his knees, his wife tapped him ever so lightly with her fan on the back of the neck. Whereupon he crumpled to the floor—dead!

THAT was the tragic story told at a "lively" party one evening by a favorite humorist. Needless to say it did not raise a smile until a bright young dame stepped up and said: "That's all very well. But how was it ascertained that he dreamed he was about to be guillotined?"

WHEN Schumann-Heink was singing in "Hansel and Gretel" at the Metropolitan one Christmas—she was the old Witch—her small son Ferdinand was taken to see his mother perform. All went well until at the big moment in the opera where the Witch is pushed into the fiery oven, Ferdie screamed out at the top of his voice: "Oh, they're throwing my mother in the oven and burning her up!"

And he began to cry: "Mother, mother!" so that everybody looked to see what was the matter.

"MOTHER heard it too, and wondered what on earth would happen next (relates Mary Lawton in Schumann-Heink: The Last of the Titans). But when she came out on the other side, a few seconds later, and little Ferdie saw her alive he screamed again: "Oh, there she is! There's mother! They didn't burn her up!" to the great relief of the audience—and Ferdie.

THAT classic of the sea "Two Years before the Mast," was sold by its author, R. H. Dana, for only \$250. This was in 1840 and for twenty-eight years thereafter—when the copyright expired—Dana did not get a single extra penny from the publishers although numerous editions were brought out. In 1868 it was re-copyrighted on an "Author's Edition," with a new chapter added and Dana began to make some money.

TRYON TID BITS

(By Elsmac) Mrs. Harold Knight of Somerville, Mass., arrived in North Tryon Monday evening. Mrs. Knight will spend Christmas with her parents, Amos and Mrs. McWilliams, and will be accompanied when returning to Somerville, by her daughter Miss Dorothy. Her many friends in Tryon are glad to welcome Mrs. Knight back to old home scenes, and all are exceedingly sorry that her husband was unable to accompany her, owing to the fact that the Christmas season means increased business for his firm. However the good old summer time is coming, and then we will hope to see both Mr. and Mrs. Knight together with the charming little Dorothy.

The Christmas Bazaar and supper held by the Ladies of the Tryon Baptist pastorate on Wednesday was very successful and all present felt they had their money's worth.

Mr. W. A. Pooley, Tryon's premier radio dealer is back into the game after dropping out for the past two years on account of other business.

Mr. Camden Holland is confined to his home here with laundice. His many friends miss him and trust "it won't be long" until he is once more about life's duties.

Latest reports regarding condition of Mrs. Roy McKenzie who is dangerously ill of pneumonia, are encouraging, good hopes now being entertained for her recovery.

Messrs. J. E. Thomson and Geo. McWilliams left on Thursday by motor for the western section of the province. They hope to have roads and weather suitable to make the return trip by Saturday.

The examinations and concert held in North Tryon School was well attended by the raterapers and the children examined by their teacher, Miss Etta Stewart, assisted by Miss Adelaide Ives of Tryon Consolidated School and Mrs. C. E. Gamble of North Tryon, showed by the answers given that careful instruction had been given them by their teacher. A pleasing feature was the concert given by the pupils. A treat of candy for both pupils and visitors was supplied by the teacher.

Now as Christmas is almost upon us I will take this opportunity and wish each and every "Guardian" reader a Very Happy Christmas. I hope too, that Our Good King will have a measure of health restored to him, so that as time goes on he will completely recover to guide and rule the Empire for years to come. The fulfillment of this wish will bring to Buckingham Palace a Happy Christmas. Yes, over all the Empire a spirit of thankfulness will prevail. Long live our King! Merry Christmas everybody.

THE youngest daughter of R. H. Dana, author of "Two Years before the Mast," Mrs. Henrietta Dana Skinner, (in "An Echo from Parnassus") recalled that as a child Longfellow's house at Cambridge, Mass., was "almost a second home to me." The two families were neighbors and intimate friends, and the children of both studied and played together.

THE Longfellow "kiddies," it seems, sometimes made jokes about poetry in which their father aided and abetted them. "A favorite breakfast dish of the family was battercakes baked in cups which puffed out in the baking till they were mostly crust and little inside," Mrs. Skinner says. "These were known as 'popovers,' but the Longfellow children called them 'poetry cakes,' because they explained with great gusto, 'there's nothing in them!' and this joke their father relished hugely."

WHICH recalls a story Ian MacLaren—author of that phenomenal best seller of years ago, "Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush"—used to tell. "My schoolboy son" said MacLaren—who was really the Rev. Dr. John Watson, a Scottish minister—"had vainly been trying to read some of my books, and in a confidential mood remarked: 'I say, father, why don't you write a proper sort of book—one of those Sherlock Holmes stories, like Conan Doyle, or something of that sort and not so much Scotch rot?'"

IT WAS Jerome K. Jerome who once said, when invited to drink a friend's health in a bumper of champagne: "We drink other peoples health—and ruin our own."

"That's true," said his friend gravely. Then with "Well, here's another ruin," he nodded to Jerome and tossed off the whole tumblerful.

PETT RIDGE, novelist and purveyor of sparkling Cockney humor, tells of overhearing the chief steward aboard a liner "calling down" an assistant. "You do nothing," complained the Steward, "and what you do, do you do very badly, and you eat upon my word, you eat like a bloomin' passenger!"

THEN he has (in his reminiscences, "A Story Teller") a tale about Edmund—Edmund of Tottenham. Edmund, it appears had the habit of bringing home on Saturday afternoon a very small portion of his weekly wage. Argument invariably ensued, but Edmund could stop the discussion at any moment by making a threat to end his life.

ON ONE occasion, he handed over such a trifling amount that when tiring of the debate, he said: "I shall go and 'ang myself,' she retorted. "Very well, go and 'ang yourself.'" "That," declared Edmund, is a very foolish, female remark to make. For one thing, I 'ave'n't any rope."

"I'll find the rope for you," she answered. And this she did, and Edmund, with every indication of edging, went into the back garden to hang himself.

A FRIEND of his called within a few minutes. "Is Edmund in ma'am?" he asked. "He is in—and he isn't in," smiled his wife, "if you can understand that. He's really in the back yard 'anging himself.'" "He musn't do that," cried the friend alarmedly, "he owes me a pint."

HURRYING through, he found Edmund with the knotted end of the rope around a beam of wood; the slip knot end about his waist. "Whatever are you doing there?" asked the friend. "I'm 'anging myself," said Edmund gloomily. "But you ain't got it right," argued the friend. "I'll show you how to do it. You want to get the slip knot end well around the throat, securely fastened at the neck."

"I tried that way, declared Edmund, "and I couldn't 'ardly breathe!"

KENYON COX, the artist, was sometimes blunt to the point of rudeness says Mrs. Daniel Chester French (in "Memories of a Sculptor's Wife.") One day at the Art Students league where he taught, when criticizing a young woman's work, he pointed to a certain stroke which seemed especially to annoy him. "What in hell did you do that for?" he asked.

THE pretty young miss to whom he had thus spoken answered flippantly: "None of your damned business!" which so appealed to Cox that he promptly married her and "made her a most tender and devoted husband for the rest of his days."

THE fox-terrier is an irrepressible humorist and a born practical joker declares Captain A. H. Trapman (in "Man's Best Friend: The Story of the Dog.") Mrs. T. P. O'Connor (wife of "Tay Pay") owned one "Coaxey" by name—whose existence was "one long series of practical jokes played off on both man and dog alike."

ONCE when Mrs. O'Connor and Coaxey were walking in the heart of London he spied a pair of young lovers approaching. The girl had peroxidized hair, a "vivid" complexion and—carried a vanly bag. Coaxey circled the couple once or twice, snatched the bag from the girl's hand, spilled the contents on the ground, then raced full speed shaking with laughter. The girl was furious as the disillusioned young man retrieved lip-stick rouge and powder.

N. B. "Nice" girls didn't "paint" in those days and Coaxey knew it.

Earth Shocks Felt in Chile

TALCA, Chile, Dec. 20.—Strong earthquakes were felt here today causing the inhabitants to flee from their temporary quarters, erected after the last quake which left the town in ruins. Light and telephone wires came down paralyzing both services which had just begun to operate normally after the recent disaster. No casualties were reported although a few walls, which still remained, fell down.

\$30,000,000 CAPITALIZATION FOR NEW CANADIAN DAIRY CONCERN IS OTTAWA RUMOR

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—The Citizen in a news page feature today says: "A very big Canadian dairy business is in the making under the Borden Company of New York, an organization which recently acquired the Chateau Cheese and Laurentian Dairy Companies of Ottawa, where-by the big New York company will set up a Canadian company, with headquarters at Montreal, which will have a capitalization of between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000. "This was learned this morning from a man prominent in financial circles and who is a large stockholder in the Borden Company. "The Borden Company is now pursuing a course of co-ordinating its various Canadian affiliations, which will in the near future be embodied in a Canadian company with an entire Canadian directorate, and which will involve close to \$30,000,000, said the Citizen's informant."

Modern Etiquette By ROBERTA LEE

Q. In removing a course from the dinner table, should the soiled plates be taken off first or the dishes containing food? A. The dishes containing food.

Q. Who extends the first invitation—the newcomer or the woman who has lived in the neighborhood for awhile? A. The established matron always makes the first move.

Q. How soon may one call on a personal friend who has just given birth to a baby? A. Usually when the baby is five days old.

An automobile fire escape for use in buildings, an English invention, is featured by a cable that has been successfully tested with weights of 1000 pounds.

Walter Sichel (in "The Sands of Time") met a very old creditor. "Oh, Mr. Sheridan," exclaimed the man, "I think you must have forgotten that debt of twenty years ago—hundred pounds!" "A hundred pounds! Twenty years ago! And I have never remembered it, what a brute I have been. There now, shall I name a day for repayment?"

THE creditor, who still revered Sheridan, was overcome. "Well, Mr. Sheridan, since you suggest and if you can manage it, I should be..."

"What would you say then to the Day of Judgment?" Sichel inter-rupted the genius. But seeing that the man looked pained: "There now!" he resumed. "What a brute I have been again! No, not that day, that's a busy day, let us say the day after."

FAREWELL PRESENTATION

An event of interest took place in the King George Hall, Kensington, on Tuesday evening, Dr. A. C. Lock-hall presiding and expressing the superior faculties and eminent qualities of the gentleman in whose honor the event was initiated.

Bringing the event out of embryo, he invited Miss Olive Thompson, one of the staff of the High School, who read to the persons thus honored the sequent address: "Mr. and Mrs. Lewis T. Lowther, Kensington: Greeting.—We desire, on behalf of the citizens of this celebrated town, situated in the Garden of the Gulf, to express, more or less imperfectly, our goodwill and wishes on the event of your terminating a very happy stay in our midst."

Some years back the Trustees of our Public School realized the need of a leader in education for our sons and daughters. Their wisdom led them to select you, Mr. Lowther, to fill that position, and never for one moment have they had cause to regret such a step. A man equipped with true Patriotism, willing to demonstrate his love for his friends, if necessary, by giving his life for them, a man when spared to return still desired to be of the utmost use to his country took steps to further study at various Agricultural Colleges; was well fitted to come back to his home town and be Principal of the School.

Soon it was discovered that we had a man willing to assist in every enterprise undertaken in the community for the betterment of the young people. His Christian character, energetic endeavor, sympathetic demeanour, have now a place in our hearts.

We were, likewise, delighted when we realized he was only half a man. Desiring always to be of most use to those he served, he wisely sought out an admirable helpmate in his wife. His better half has endeavored herself to us all. It has been reported that the boys of Kensington have the beginning of wings; perhaps the girls can be included. If it is so, it is largely due to the help and influence given them by the Principal and his good wife.

In bidding you "Good-Bye," Mr. and Mrs. Lowther, we ask you to accept the accompanying gifts as a small token of respect and goodwill. May they ever remind you of the happy days spent in the Town of Kensington.

Signed by the People of Kensington School District. Miss M. Proffitt, another member of the staff, made the presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Lowther, giving to each a beautiful and appropriate gift in the name of the donors.

Mr. Lowther acknowledged the address and gifts with a tact and grace that evidenced appreciation and gratitude, more eloquent than words can depict. He believes the people of Kensington the best on earth. He spent six and one half years here. His pupils are fine specimens of intellect—far above the average. The class this year, he believes, better than the best. He invoked, for his successor, as sincere and affective support as he had received. He paid a glowing tribute to his associate teachers. He deeply appreciated the genuine kindness shown Mrs. Lowther and thanked the people for their thoughtful consideration.

In connection with the event, Miss Marion Kennedy sang an appropriate solo and Miss Mary Ready sweetly interpreted a classic piano solo. Rev. G. T. Spriggs is most sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Lowther. Mr. Lowther's advice and example are advantages that this institution of good. Messrs. J. T. Proffitt and J. A. Ready offered a few observations the meeting Mr. Proffitt lauded the former taking advantage of the occasion to sympathize with the Catholic people in the loss of their number. He noted how the Hall was always at the disposal of all meetings and assuredly expresses the classes and creeds and he hoped sentiments of the people. That some courtesy would be shown meeting was patriotically terminated by the patrons of this institution of good since they are deprived of the King.

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