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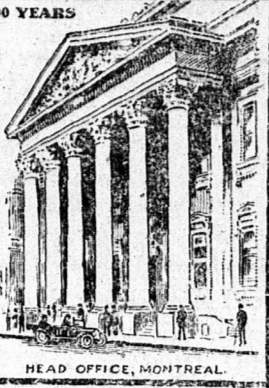
## BANK OF MONTREAL

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## SEASON'S GREETINGS

We wish to extend to the many friends of this store, both young and old, Best Wishes for a Prosperous New Year!

### Beer & Weeks

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## THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

Morning Daily, (founded 1887) \$4.00 MAJOR A. A. BARTLETT, President per year (delivered) in advance, \$3.00 J. R. BURNETT, Editor and Publisher per year, (mailed) in advance, in U. S. A. G. R. CURRIE, Associate Editor Canada, and \$3.50 for U. S. A.

Thursday, January 1, being New Year's Day, and a public holiday, the Morning Guardian will not be published on Friday. The Evening Guardian will not be published on New Year's Day, but will appear as usual on Friday. Advertisers please note.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1919.

### WORKING HOURS.

How many hours a day should a man work? Labor Unions and reformers have set the hours variously, from six to eight hours. The busy man, driven by his business, has set his working hours at from the earliest possible hour in which he can get to work till the last moment he can give it and most men admit that it takes all their time to do the amount of work they want to do.

In factories where the quantity and value of the output are in proportion to the wages paid the fixing of a day's length for employees is simply a matter of mathematics. In the case of the proprietor whose capital is involved, who must guide and guard the output, who must give patient study of ways and means, it is different and he who employs workmen at a certain wage for a certain number of hours is himself compelled to work many long hours after his help has knocked off. This is unavoidable. His doctor may tell him he is committing suicide and that he is a fool but he cannot help it. Either he must work till he finishes the task he has set himself or his business will go to ruin. Many a shrewd successful business man has thus worked with but two alternatives before him, a suicide's grave or failure and the majority of successful men have deliberately chosen the former.

Farmers have frequently been approached with a view to inaugurating an eight hour day on the farm and the most successful and progressive of them declare that it would be impossible. In haying and harvest time crops must be saved from threatening weather; in seeding time the necessity for haste is often so imperative that the time from sunrise to sunset is too short to do what must be done.

The farmer must carry on regardless of hours and of strikes. All other callings may demand higher wages and shorter hours and strike, if their demands are not complied with. A month's strike of farmers at seeding time would starve the world.

### SCARE THEM AGAIN.

The New York Herald is responsible for the statement "on the highest authority" that as a result of the scare caused by Professor Porta's prediction of the end of the world on December 17th the sum of \$3,298,213 conscience money was returned to the rightful owners by sinners who did not care to face the unknown with their ill-gotten gains in their possession.

If this story be true and there is reason to believe that it is only slightly exaggerated, if at all, then the prophets of calamity have something to their credit. There is still considerable "conscience money" lying in the hands of those who would quickly disgorge if they were fully persuaded that the end was at hand and that the pit which looked mythical at a distance might be there after all.

The "fear o' hell's the hangman's whip" and, while it many "haud the wretch in order" when it looms sufficiently near, it does not make him a better man. The man who would disgorge his ill-gotten gains when he thought the end of the world was coming would steal when assured that it was not coming. Still a genuine scare now and again coupled with the fear of everlasting unpleasantness might result in restoring their own to innocent victims.

### OATMEAL AND—

It is encouraging to find, says the Christian Science Monitor, that Ireland, that "distressful" country, produces something better than outrages, and in the form of so useful an article as oatmeal. During 1918 there were 1,579,527 acres under oats, with a yield of about 25,000,000 hundredweight, of which about £1,200,000 worth were exported. During the war the home consumption was very much increased on account of the somewhat unpalatable war bread, but Ulster, with its Scottish characteristics, is the heaviest consumer, and produces 64 per cent. of the crop. Oatmeal has never been a favorite breakfast dish in England, and it was Doctor Johnson who said, to his friend Boswell, that oatmeal was what was given as food to horses and Scotsmen. It was another kind of doctor, from Liverpool, who on visiting Scotland, was amazed at the robust appearance and longevity of the inhabitants, and, on investigating the cause, discovered that they thrived on oatmeal and theological discussions. On returning to his home he prescribed these for his patients, and discovered that it was only Scotsmen who could stand them.

### BETTER THAN PRESIDENCY.

Mr. Franklin E. Lane, a native of P. E. Island, Secretary of the Interior, and generally thought to be the ablest of President Wilson's Cabinet, announces that he is to retire, having found it impossible to live on his salary of \$12,000 a year. Since it is the chief thing that keeps him from being a Presidential possibility, Mr. Lane is probably one of the very few people who regret the fact that they were born Canadians.

### NOTES

Sir Horace Plunkett said the other day that no plan of government for Ireland evolved by Englishmen would ever be effective. Even the plan proposed by the great Welshman is not acceptable, and Sir Horace himself was chairman of the convention of Irishmen that tried to find a settlement and failed. De Valera appears to think he will be able to find the solution in the United States.

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#### HE CARETH

What can it mean? Is it aught to him That the nights are long, and the days are dim Can He be touched by the griefs I bear, Which sadden the heart and whiten the hair? Around His throne are eternal calms, And glad, strong music of happy psalms, And bliss untroubled by any strife, How can He care for my little life? And yet I want Him to care for me While I live in this world where the sorrows be; When the lights are down from the path I take, When strength is feeble, and friends forsake; When love and music, that once did bless, Have left me to silence and loneliness; And my life-song changes to sobbing prayers, When my heart cries out for a God who cares. Oh, wonderful story of deathless love! Each child is dear to that heart above; He fights for me when I cannot fight, He comforts me in the gloom of night, He lifts the burden, for He is strong, He stills the sigh and awakens the song; The burdens that bow me down He bears, And loves and pardons because He cares. Oh, all that are sad, take heart again! You are not alone in your hour of pain! The Father, stoops from His throne above To soothe and comfort us with His love, He leaves us not when the storm beats high, And we have safety, for He is nigh, Can it be trouble when He doth share? Oh, rest in peace, for your Lord doth care!

### THE REASON WHY

WHY DO I GET COLD IN A WARM ROOM?

I suppose you mean the instances when you get cold while in a warm room even when you are perfectly well. This will happen often when all the moisture in the room outside of what is in your body, is evaporated by the heat in the room. The remedy is, of course, to keep a pan of water some place in the room as the air has become too dry. While heat is necessary to evaporate water, the process of evaporation produces cold. The quicker the evaporation the sharper the cold feeling produced. Now your body is continually evaporating the water from your body which comes out in the form of perspiration through the pores of the skin. This is one of nature's ways of taking the impurities and waste out of the body. You know, of course, don't you, that more than one-half of the waste material which the body expels from the system comes out through the pores of the skin rather than through the canals. When the air in the room becomes too dry, the evaporation on the outside of the body proceeds faster and makes you cold. By keeping water in

some vessel in the room you keep the air of the room from becoming too dry.

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### TWO CASES OF SLEEPING SICKNESS AT OTTAWA

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Two cases of sleeping sickness have been discovered in Ottawa and are now being treated in one of the local hospitals. The condition of one patient is understood to be rather serious, but the other is practically assured of recovery. These are the first cases of this disease to be reported either in Ottawa City or district.

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