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UNITED STATES NAVY.

In a recent article on the United States Navy, the London Standard suggests that the Dominion contingents of the British fleet should be kept as a nucleus of an Imperial flying squadron, capable of being sent to any portion of the water surface of the globe, and not wholly incommensurate to the power and the traditions of the British Navy.

Since Germany stole a march upon Great Britain by increasing her fleet out of all proportion to the necessities of her commerce and possessions beyond the seas, Great Britain has been compelled to keep her battle fleet in the seas of Northern Europe, and in close touch with the British shores. This has had the consequence, for the first time in her history as a sea-power, of removing the flag from the outer oceans and reducing the force in the South Atlantic and Mediterranean to vanishing point.

This has been brought home forcibly by the scheme of the United States for the cruise of her navy in European waters. Secure, as our neighbor is, from any thought of invasion due to European complications, she can afford to send almost her entire fleet to fly the Stars and Stripes in Europe. The imposing nature of the demonstration may be gauged from the fact that the fleet consists of no fewer than twenty-one battleships, with cruisers and auxiliaries. There are eight new Dreadnoughts and super-Dreadnoughts, together with thirteen older but still very formidable armored vessels.

Commenting on the demonstration our contemporary says the publicists and statesmen of the Old Country will be reminded that the United States is still the second naval power of the globe. "It chooses to hold aloof from the various alliances, understandings and rivalries of the European system. But if it pleased it could throw its weight into the scale with decisive effect. There is no reason to suppose that it has any immediate intention of departing from its traditional policy. But it is not without significance that this remarkable illustration of American potentialities is to be given in that quarter of the world which is at present undergoing reconstruction and political transition. It is at least a very forcible hint that when American diplomacy cares to assert itself it can do so with the only kind of backing that our modern diplomatists really recognize."

This, of course, means that in the unthinkable event of Germany successfully invading Britain, she would have to contend with our friends to the south for the possession of Canada, and we would have the agreeable choice between the iron rule of the Kaiser, or the freedom and domination of a republic.

THE STREAM'S SOURCE.

The stream cannot rise higher than its source. Moreover the quality of the source is easily determined by the quality of the stream.

Men and women cannot, ordinarily, rise higher, mentally, than the source from which they derive their mental sustenance. Moreover, also, the quality of the sustenance is easily determined by their walk and conversation.

Today the world is filled with books, good and bad, useful and useless. Men and women feed among these, some exclusively on one class, others on another, and still others browsing promiscuously among them all. The streams emanating from these different sources indicate clearly the quality of the source. Men and women are classified by the book company they keep.

Someone who has taken the trouble to make enquiries calculates that seventy-five per cent of the books bought in our bookstores and distributed through our libraries are works of fiction, and that seventy-five per cent of the fiction is trash.

The statement is a sweeping one and may be correct. In any case a very large percentage of men and women, particularly the young, would leave the impression that they have been sustained very largely on trash, that they have acquired their habits of thought and of expression from trashy sources. The reading is reflect-

ed in the conversation. If it be true that seventy-five per cent of the world's fiction is trash and worse than useless, because hurtful, it is still true that twenty-five per cent of it is above this level. And not only is it above the level but in this proportion is included some of the best thought, the profoundest truth, the soundest moral and philosophical teaching.

Unfortunately it is necessary, in these pleasure loving days of ours, to give work the semblance of play, to sugar-coat our best text-books with entertaining fiction in order that they may be read. The bare philosophy of any of the best works of fiction, published alone and uncoated, would not have enough purchasers to pay for the printing. It is perhaps regrettable that this should be so. Doubtless pure food, taken without condiments of any kind would be best either for physical or mental development, but we have acquired the habit in both, and the thing, in both, is not to let the condiment take the place of the food, and, above all, not to permit poisoned sweets to take the place of harmless, though not necessary, condiments.

The trashy novel reader is as distinguishable by his or her conversation as is the man or the woman, young or old, whose vocabulary has been acquired on the street. The teaching of the street is no more distinct than the teaching of the books we read and very much of the glib-tongued silliness of today is due to the influences of the street and of the seventy-five per cent of trashy fiction.

One has said "sow a thought and you reap an act; sow an act and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny." In selecting our reading matter we are sowing a habit. The habit develops into a taste which eventually becomes part of the character and reveals itself in the conversation and manner of living. The time to begin cultivating the taste for reading is when the child begins to read, just as the time to develop a taste for wholesome food is when the child begins to eat. The taste acquired in youth will develop either into a craving for doctored and sugared concoctions, mental or physical, and, in the end, mental or physical dyspepsia—or into a natural hunger for wholesome food, mental or physical—and sound mental or physical health.

THE HUMAN PROCESSION.

MRS. FRANK LESLIE.

Mrs. Frank Leslie, a notable example of the American woman who has attained success in business, was born in New Orleans, June 5, 1851. Her maiden name was Mirlam F. Folger. In 1872 she was married to Frank Leslie, who was widely known as a publisher of popular magazines and books.

Congratulations to: Baron Mount-Stephen, eminent Canadian financier and former head of the Canadian Pacific Railway, 84 years old today. Dr. Frank K. Sanders, who is soon to retire from the presidency of Washburn College, 52 years old today.

Rt. Rev. Regis Canavin, head of the Roman Catholic diocese of Pittsburgh, 60 years old today. Battling Nelson, former champion lightweight pugilist, 31 years old today.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- 1829—Lotteries prohibited by law in Massachusetts.
1832—Charter granted to the Cincinnati, Sandusky and Cleveland railroad.
1848—First State legislature of Wisconsin convened.
1854—Reciprocity treaty between Canada and the United States signed.
1863—Francis M. Drexel, famous banker, died in Philadelphia. Born in Austria, April 7, 1792.
1899—Frank Thompson, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, died in Merion, Pa. Born in Chambersburg, Pa., July 5, 1841.
1900—The Boers surrendered Pretoria to the British.
1912—George S. Nixon, United States senator from Nevada, died in Washington, D. C. Born in Newcastle, Cal., April 2, 1860.

THE POULSEN WIRELESS SERVICE.

OTTAWA, June 4.—In the Commons Hon. Pelletier announced that the land line for the Poulsen Wireless service would be along the International line and likely in operation four or five months. The Liberals offered several amendments to Canadian Northern Railway subsidies bill, but they were defeated. In the Senate the branch line bill was amended to provide that in case of leasing or building a branch the matter must be ratified by parliament.

In answer to Mr. Hughes' of P. E. Island in the Commons who asked for a comparative statement of per capita taxation covering the last 12 years the Government replied that the term per capita taxation is not sufficiently explicit to enable a calculation to be made which would not be misleading.

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE.

His Lordship Bishop Worrell, who is visiting the Island for Confirmations, will not include Georgetown and Souris in his visitation as he hopes to be here again in September.

Miss Laura Gillis, at present training at the Waltham Nurses Training School, Waltham, Mass., and entering on her first senior year, left Saturday on return. Miss Gillis has been home to Misconche on her vacation for the last four weeks. To her is extended best wishes on her highly creditable position.

Rev. William McVie, formerly pastor of the Lockeport Baptist Church Nova Scotia, has accepted the unanimous invitation extended to him by the Hazelbrook group of Baptist Churches to become their pastor. Rev. Mr. McVie will enter upon his pastoral duties on the 1st Sunday in July.

Among the many Canadians travelling on the Pacific Coast recently may be mentioned John P. Hood of Charlottetown, P. E. Island says the Maple Leaf of Oakland, Calif. Mr. Hood was the owner and publisher of the Charlottetown Guardian for twenty-three years, during which time he has travelled extensively in the interests of his paper and province, visiting Europe, Mexico, Newfoundland and the New England States, the result being the high state of efficiency of that paper. Mr. Hood spent three weeks in Southern California, and is returning East over the Canadian Pacific, and like all keen observers is amazed at our wonderful resources and opportunities. He was appalled at the magnitude of our coming Exposition and bespeaks a large influx of Eastern Canadians who will come here in 1915. Mr. Hood left Thursday for the north and will reach his home about the latter part of July.

Frederick Eustache Barker, whose name appears in the list of the King's Birthday honours, was born at Sheffield, Dec. 27, 1838. He was educated in Sunbury Grammar School and the University of New Brunswick where he received the degree of B.A. in 1856 and M. A. in 1858. He received the degree of B. C. L. in 1861 and five years later became a D.C.L. He was entered as a Barrister in 1861 and was President of the Barristers' Association of New Brunswick in 1889. He was made a K.C. by the Earl of Dufferin in 1879. He became a puisne judge of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick in 1893. He was an arbitrator in connection with the Eastern Railway claims in 1900. He became Chief Justice of New Brunswick in 1908. He was a member of the Senate and an examiner in law at the University of New Brunswick and was formerly chairman of the Board of School Commissioners of St. John. He represented St. John in the House of Commons in the interests of the Conservatives 1885-1887. His wife, Mary Ann, daughter of B. E. Black of Halifax, N. S. He is an Anglican and also holds membership in the Cadars and the Union Club.

Major General Otter, Inspector General of Canadian Forces, M.C.V. O. C. B., chief military advisor to the Minister of Militia, is created Knight Commander of the Most Order of the Bath.

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TRINITY UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT.

WAXAHACHIE, Texas, June 4.—An unusually large class received their diplomas today at the forty-fourth annual commencement exercises at Trinity University. The address to the graduates was delivered by Rev. John Balcon Shaw, D. D., of Chicago.

MILITARY WEDDING IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 4.—Six lieutenants of the United States army served as ushers at the wedding today of Miss Carlotta Damon LaLanne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles LaLanne, and Lieutenant Lindsey C. Herndon, U. S. A. The ceremony was performed at noon in the Tenth Presbyterian Church.

RUTLAND, Vt., June 4.—Many delegates have arrived here for the annual meeting of the New England grand council of the United Commercial Travellers. Business sessions of the convention will occupy tomorrow and Friday. The concluding features of the gathering will be the annual parade Saturday morning.

MANY GRADUATES AT COLUMBIA.

NEW YORK, June 4.—Columbia University, which boasts of the largest enrollment of any educational institution in America, held its 159th commencement today. Nearly 2,000 degrees were conferred upon the graduates of the several departments of the university.

How The Scrap Started.

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VICTIMS OF CANCER.

Increase in the Number of Deaths Last Year Compared With 1901

Cancer statistics by the Society for the Prevention and Relief of Cancer show that in 1911 17,365 persons died in the United Kingdom from cancer, a rate of 497 per million persons living. Last year the number of deaths was 43,134, or 960 out of every million persons living.

In 1911 the percentage of cancer deaths to deaths from all causes in England and Wales was 1.33; last year it had risen to 7.16. The highest percentages of deaths—12.3—occurred in the case of men, between forty-five and fifty-five years of age. In the case of women it was between the ages of thirty-five and forty-five, and reached 18.6.

WONDERFUL OLD PASTOR.

At Eighty He Was Preparing for a Divinity Examination

The funeral took place at Leicester of the Rev. James Nelson, M.A., a Free Church minister, who died at Narborough in his eighty-second year. Born at Colne, in Lancashire, he was brought up at Bradford, where he became a hand-loom weaver. His parents were very poor, and he had no schooling and little to eat during these hard times. He acquired a knowledge of several languages, and at fifty graduated B.A. at Dublin University. Ill-health compelled him to quit the ministry for a time, when he went to live in France. Returning, he became a railway clerk at Bradford, and later resumed his ministerial career at Nottingham and Leicester. At eighty he was preparing for examinations for his Doctor of Divinity degree. He had acquired a knowledge of Greek, Latin, Hebrew, French, German and Italian. He was strong physically, and at seventy-seven rode 100 miles from Leicester to London on a bicycle in a day. He rested one day and returned the next.

TOWN BELOW SEA.

Greek Lieutenant's Discovery off the Isle of Lemnos

A town below the sea has been discovered by Lieutenant Bakopoulos, of Athens, while carrying out observations in connection with his naval duties, to the east of the island of Lemnos.

On reefs marked on the British Admiralty charts under the name of the Pharos Bank he found, at a depth of twenty-five metres, some ancient ruins which were perfectly visible, and proved the existence of a town of about three miles in circumference. Orders have been issued by the Greek Ministry of Marine to carry out scientific researches on the spot.

NEW SUBJECTS.

1334 Aliens Became Naturalized in England Last Year

According to a report by the Home Office, 1,334 aliens became naturalized Britons during last year. Of this number, Russia supplied no fewer than 493; but there was only one Bulgarian who decided to abandon the troublesome land of his birth in favor of our more peace-loving country. On the other hand, 399 Germans wavered in their allegiance to the Kaiser, and chose to become loyal subjects of King George V.; whilst, despite the prospect of having to serve longer with the colors in the future, only 23 Frenchmen deserted the Republic, so greatly in need of men, and came to Britain, there to be naturalized. Of these new Britons, 1,223 took up their abodes in England and Wales, and 623 of them live in London.

Railway But no Roads.

The medical arrangements required by the Insurance Act have drawn attention to the inaccessibility of many Scottish villages. To the Roxburghshire railway colony of Riccarton a special interest attaches. No roads lead to this well known junction, and a special train, which starts at 10.15 a.m., conveys worshippers to Hawick every Sunday morning. Free passes are supplied to railway employees and their families. To meet the medical requirements of the community, the railway directors permit Hawick doctors to travel to Riccarton on engines or in guards' vans and first class compartments, as they may find most convenient. Among other privileges peculiar to the district, goods are carried to the grocery store at half the usual rates.

Relic of the Past. The only sedan chair still in active service is to be found at Hampton Court. Some of the ladies residing there use it when visiting one another's apartments in the evening; but it is never seen outside the precincts of the Palace.

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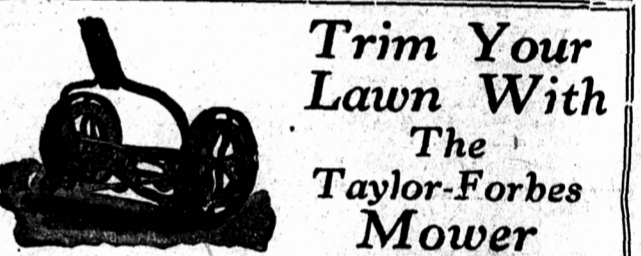
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