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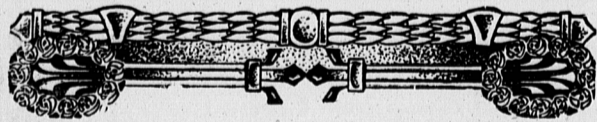
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THANKSGIVING DAY.

In pursuance of a time honored custom this day has been set apart by the Dominion Government as a day of "thanksgiving to Almighty God for a bountiful harvest" and other mercies.

The day is observed as a holiday in home visiting, in family reunions, in the rest that change of scene and of occupation gives. There is thankfulness doubtless, thankfulness for our own foresight in arranging for the "bountiful harvest" whether of the field, the store the factory or the office; thankfulness for the good prices, the good wages, the big dividends we have received for ourselves. Perhaps we forget that these good things of ours may have been a hardship to others, that many of the things we are thankful for may have brought pain and sorrow and hardship to others.

For the many blessings we have received from a bountiful providence let us be humbly thankful and let our thankfulness be expressed not in words but in deeds. Any mercies we may have received at the expense of others let us rigidly exclude from our paeons of praise lest our thankfulness be counted unto us as hypocrisy.

HAPPINESS.

Some one has said that "happiness is the relation between what you think you ought to have, and what you have." If you have fifty dollars and think you ought to have a hundred you are just as unhappy as if you had half a million and thought you ought to have a million. The relation idea is a good one. We cannot get happiness; it gets us. It is a by-product from a search for something else. If one expends effort and money and time to benefit or to help others, one of the principal by products of his effort will be self satisfaction or happiness. If he should go out to buy happiness for himself, though he should spend millions upon it, his effort will be a failure. Men toil and struggle and elbow each other out of the way in a mad search for wealth in the belief that if they acquire so much they will be happy. They never reach the point at which they consider they have enough and the longer they search the further they get away from happiness.

The only true happiness in life is service and it is more commonly found among the poor and the lowly who are compelled to toil for their daily bread. There are, of course; degrees in toil; there is the unequal struggle; there is the hopeless battle. These are among the misfortunes the existence of which is a reproach to civilized Christendom. In the midst of unlimited wealth there should be no hopeless poverty and the happiness that the former vainly seeks is available if sought in the territory of the latter and there it will take the form of service and help.

THE DALTON SANATORIUM.

The Patriot in its Friday's issue discusses with apparent seriousness the Dalton Sanatorium affair. While admitting that the government has not finally decided to abandon the institution, it discloses the reasons upon which such abandonment was at least tentatively contemplated. "A specialist" from Ontario, so says the Patriot, estimated that it would cost \$125,000 a year to run the institution. Just what kind of institution this "specialist" had in view is not stated but the Patriot assumes, for its present purpose, that the estimate is correct or approximately so; it thinks the annual expenditure might be cut down to \$100,000 but having made this generous discount it asks with dramatic seriousness "What then? Is the province prepared to assume that responsibility and make that additional expenditure?"

Evidently the Patriot is specially pleading and, like many other things that it pleads on, it is slightly biased. Even the most obtuse of its readers will understand that the expense of running the Dalton Sanatorium depends very largely upon the number of patients to be accommodated and the staff necessary to care for them. There will be but one superintendent and as many nurses and other attendants as the patients require. The whole institution would not be in use until the number of patients made it necessary and in that case, with the fees available the cost would be very greatly reduced.

The Patriot has enthusiastically endorsed the new agricultural and technical high school, a project which, it is true did not originate with a Conservative or a Conservative Government. Any Ontario expert would tell us that the building to be used for the purpose cost between three and four hundred thousand dollars. The heating, when last used, required two or three tons of coal a day. There will be a principal, some half dozen special teachers, a staff of cooks, servants, day and night supervisors and the fees charged will not pay much over fifty per cent of the cost of boarding the students.

No estimate has been given of the probable cost of this school but if the programme is carried out which the Patriot has so emphatically endorsed it is not likely to cost less than the Dalton Sanatorium.

The technical school while very desirable may be classed among the luxuries; the Dalton Sanatorium is a life saving institution. In all fairness, before casting the latter aside we should have more than a guess at the probable cost, and, by the same rule before adopting the other we should have at least a fair estimate of the probable cost.

CURRENT COMMENT

Let all the people give thanks. It was the exultant expression of a great people in the pre-Christian period, at the grandest thanksgiving festival in the world's history. A downtrodden people had been led out of the bitterness of an oppressive bondage, fed and clothed and tempered and disciplined during many weary years of wanderings in a wilderness and then established in a land "flowing with milk and honey," the promised tenting place of richness and plenty. Here, in the field homesteads allotted, and in their cities and their pastoral life, they were blessed with a progress and prosperity unexampled in the previous experience of any people. From nomadic tribes they had been congregated into the greatest kingdom of the world, and of a court the splendour of which "the half has not been told." For twenty years they had given of their strength and increasing wealth to building up of a nation and to the erection of the most magnificent Temple of the Lord, reared and finished and furnished regardless of expense of labor or cost of material in the supremacy of the most extravagant and richest of architecture and art.

And in the gala day of its completion the Hebrew people and the proselytes to their faith were gathered together from every quarter of the kingdom to give thanks for the abundant blessings to them as a nation, and to consecrate the new edifice to the service of the Lord. The occasion was one of solemnity as well as of feasting and grandeur. Escorted by the elders and heads of tribes and chiefs of the fathers, the ark of the covenant and holy vessels were brought up and placed in the most holy place, even under the wings of the cherubims, by the Levites; then followed that wonderful prayer of King Solomon as kneeling before the vast multitude he poured out his own soul in petition for his nation and people. To this came the answering fire from Heaven consuming the sacrifices, and "the glory of the Lord filled the house." The solemn offices of dedication over there were seven days of feasting. The people were sent away to their tents "glad and merry in their hearts for the goodness that the Lord had showed." Sheep and oxen "which could not be numbered for multitude" were used in the dedication. "Twenty and two thousand oxen and a hundred and twenty thousand sheep" constituted King Solomon's portion of the sacrifice. Then came the beautiful promise of the Lord, "If thou wilt walk before Me, as David thy father walked, and do all that I have commanded. . . . Then will I establish the throne of thy kingdom." "But if ye turn away. . . . Then will I pluck them up by the roots out of my land" and "this house" will I cast out of my sight."

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THE BODY.

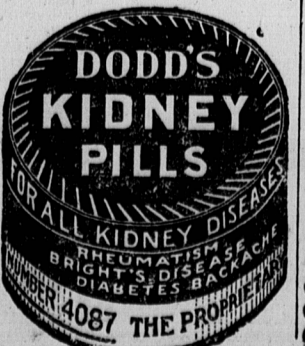
Put me in touch with the heart of the boy. Let me study his doubts and fears; Let me try to show him the way of life, And help him avoid his tears.

For the heart of the boy in its buoyancy Is the one that is pure and free; So put me in touch with the heart of the boy.

The heart of the Man-to-be!

A TRUTHFUL BOY.

How people do trust a truthful boy! We never worry about him when he is out of sight. We never say, "I wonder where he is, I wish I knew what he is doing." We know that he is all right, and that when he comes home we will know all about it and get it straight. We don't have to ask him where he is going, or how long he will be gone every time he leaves the house. We don't have to call him back and make him "solemnly promise" the same thing over and over. When he says, "Yes, I will," or "No I won't," just once, that settles it.—Robert Burdette.



have the people of this western continent, and especially of our own country, had the plenitude of reasons for gratitude that they have had in the endowments of blessings in the present year. The bloodiest war in history ended, and hundreds of thousands of our dear boys returned safely from the fields of danger to the comforts of home and friends. A spring and summer season in which the sun shone brighter and more beautiful than in many years. A harvest in almost every line of production, with but few exceptions, abundant and plentiful. Labour for the man of brain and muscle in full supply so that no man who would work had need to be idle. While living costs have been high, wages and salaries have kept well in pace with these increasing costs, and now with the subsiding of the activities and the unrest following the war, there is in the fore-front already the silver clouds of receding prices with its pleasant anticipations of cheaper costs of living. In this province unrest and strikes were unknown, and peace and contentment prevailed in all machinery of industry and service. Our Prince of Wales College, closed for a brief period, and perhaps for our good in teaching us the more to estimate its great value, thanks to the wiser counsels that prevailed, is again busy upon its job, with its same excellent teaching staff, making of the young men and women of today the reputation builders of our province in the days to come. Poverty and actual want or privation has been almost unknown, and in the fields of charity our people have not made any rearward move. Our hospitals and orphanages have been generously sustained, and private benefactions have been as liberal as of yore. Surely our cups of blessing have been filled to the brim, "our barns have been filled with plenty" and "goodness and mercy have followed us." Then let all the people give thanks.

The application of the sugar holders to the Government to assist them in robbing the consumers of Canada in the selling of sugar above its value is the galliest piece of impudence of all the profiteering escapades in these times of strenuous disturbances. After making their millions at the expense of the poverty of the country out of the most gigantic speculative cornering of supplies, the sugar fiends find the stocks of the world in too heavy supply, and the demand to be limited to sustain their hold-up, and now confronted with a loss of a portion of their ill-gotten gains, they are hunting for expedients to get under cover. While the sugar magnates of Canada were little, if any, associated with the infamous combine to jack this article up to four times its actual value, yet they were in the market, buying and selling in immense quantities, and reaping the same harvest of rich profits while the carnival lasted, as did the principal conspirators themselves. And now when the real soundrels are caught in the trap, and facing the bitter punishment of severe reprobation, the least our Canadian speculators can do is to bow cheerfully, even though reluctantly, to the fate which the inexorable law of supply and demand is determined to force upon them. Leastways the Govern-

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ment of Canada were not commissioned, for and will not be supported by the people in the action asked for by the sugar men to impose injustice upon the consumers of this world needed commodity.

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